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December 30 2021

Holiday Hours

[Addison Holiday Hours](#)



Town offices will be closed on Friday, December 31 for New Year's Day. If you need assistance, please call the non-emergency public safety number at 972-450-7156. You can also find a list of important websites, telephone numbers, and social media links at the end of the newsletter.

The Athletic Club will be open on Friday, December 31 from 5:30am- 8pm and closed on Saturday, January 1.

Have a Happy New Year!

COVID-19 Update

CDC Announces New Quarantine Recommendations

If You Test Positive for COVID-19 (Isolate)

- Everyone, regardless of vaccination status.**
- Stay home for 5 days.
 - If you have no symptoms or your symptoms are resolving after 5 days, you can leave your house.
 - Continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days.
- If you have a fever, continue to stay home until your fever resolves.*

If You Were Exposed to Someone with COVID-19 (Quarantine)

- If you:**
- Have been boosted
 - OR**
 - Completed the primary series of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine within the last 6 months
 - OR**
 - Completed the primary series of J&J vaccine within the last 2 months
- Wear a mask around others for 10 days.
 - Test on day 5, if possible.
- If you develop symptoms get a test and stay home.*
- If you:**
- Completed the primary series of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine over 6 months ago and are not boosted
 - OR**
 - Completed the primary series of J&J over 2 months ago and are not boosted
 - OR**
 - Are unvaccinated
- Stay home for 5 days. After that continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days.
 - If you can't quarantine, you must wear a mask for 10 days.
 - Test on day 5 if possible.
- If you develop symptoms get a test and stay home*

The CDC [announced](#) on Monday, December 27 that it is shortening the recommended time for isolation from 10 days for people with COVID-19 to 5 days, if asymptomatic, followed by 5 days of wearing a mask when around others. The change is motivated by science demonstrating that the majority of SARS-CoV-2 transmission occurs early in the course of illness, generally in the 1-2 days prior to onset of symptoms and the 2-3 days after. Therefore, people who test positive should isolate for 5 days and, if asymptomatic at that time, they may leave isolation if they can continue to mask for 5 days to minimize the risk of infecting others.

Additionally, CDC is updating the recommended quarantine period for those [exposed to COVID-19](#). For people who are unvaccinated or are more than six months out from their second mRNA dose (or more than 2 months after the J&J vaccine) and not yet boosted, CDC now recommends quarantine for 5 days followed by strict mask use for an additional 5 days. Alternatively, if a 5-day quarantine is not feasible, it is imperative that an exposed person [wear a well-fitting mask](#) at all times when around others for 10 days after

exposure. Individuals who have received their booster shot do not need to quarantine following an exposure, but should wear a mask for 10 days after the exposure. For all those exposed, best practice would also include a test for SARS-CoV-2 at day 5 after exposure. If symptoms occur, individuals should immediately quarantine until a negative test confirms symptoms are not attributable to COVID-19.

On Tuesday, December 28, Dallas County's public health committee raised the COVID-19 threat level to red, or "high risk of transmission." The county's hospitalizations due to Covid have gone up 50% in the last week. In a letter to Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins, the public health committee asked commissioners to encourage the following actions:

- Increase vaccination and boosters to prevent severe illness and hospitalization
- Increase testing capacity to identify cases early
- Implement universal masking and physical distancing in public spaces
- Limit public gatherings to allow for distancing
- Encouraging masking, distancing and vaccination to combat omicron

Get more information COVID-19 [on the CDC's website here](#) and on [Dallas County's Health and Human Services website here](#).

Around Town

Santa's Heroes Made the Holidays Bright For Addison Families



The week before Christmas, Santa's Heroes delivered toys to Addison families who were identified through calls made by Addison Police and Fire Departments and through area schools. Thanks to the generosity of residents and local businesses, Police Officers and Firefighters were able to spread Christmas cheer to those in need this holiday season. Many thanks to all those who contributed to this effort.

Addison Staff Volunteered at Metrocrest Services Holiday Store



Addison's leadership and staff volunteered at the Metrocrest Services Holiday Store on Monday, December 20. The Holiday Store ensured that over 2,000 children had presents this holiday season by providing unwrapped toys and gifts and new or gently used winter coats to families in need.

Metrocrest Services needs volunteers throughout the year in its food pantry and resale shop, as well as for seasonal programs and administrative tasks. Get more information on how to get involved on the [Metrocrest Services website](#).

Addison Citizen Survey Hits Homes

Addison has engaged ETC Institute to complete a new citizen satisfaction survey. The [last citizen survey](#) was completed in 2018. ETC Institute has mailed the survey and a cover letter (on Town letterhead) to a random sample of households in Addison. These households are picked based on geographical locations to equally represent the Town and return statistically significant results. Residents who received the survey will have the option of returning the printed survey by mail in a postage-paid envelope or completing it online.

If you are one of the residents who received the survey, we encourage you to invest a few minutes in your responses. Your responses will help guide many of the decisions that will be made about the Town's future.

If you did not receive the survey, but would like to share your input with the Town, please contact Administrative Services Director Bill Hawley by phone at 972-450-7016 or by email at bhawley@addisontx.gov and indicate if you would prefer the survey emailed or mailed. The results from these surveys will be manually compiled in a separate report for Council and Town staff. Respondents' personal information will remain confidential, just like with the formal survey.

If you have any questions, please contact Bill Hawley at bhawley@addisontx.gov.

Vitruvian Lights Runs through January 2



There are only a few days left to enjoy the dazzling and spectacular holiday display at Vitruvian Lights. The tree lights will be on daily from 5pm – 11pm through Sunday, January 2, 2022.

How to Stay Informed

Addison shares information with the community in a number of different ways. Here are some ways you can stay updated on the latest news:

Website:

- www.addisontexas.net: Find alerts and updates on the homepage and department-specific updates on department pages
- www.addisontexas.net/covid19: Find specific COVID-19 updates and resources
- www.addisontexas.net/Midway: Find information on the Midway Road Revitalization Project and subscribe for project email and text updates
- www.addisontexas.net/ClubRenovations: Find information on the Addison Athletic Club renovations and subscribe for project email and text updates.
- www.addisonalert.com: Get alerts about severe weather and other emergencies in the Town of Addison, as well as register to receive updates on Town programs

Social Media:

- [Addison Facebook](#)
- [Visit Addison Facebook](#)
- [Addison Twitter](#)
- [Visit Addison Twitter](#)
- [NextDoor](#)

Addison Newsletters: For a description of and to subscribe to all of Addison's newsletters, click [here](#).

If you have specific questions, please contact Addison's Marketing Department at marketing@addisontx.gov.

Important Numbers and Websites

Town Hall:
972-450-7000

Non-emergency Police Dispatch:
972-450-7156

Missed Trash:
972-392-9300, Option 2

[Request Bulk Trash Pickup](#)

Athletic Club:
972-450-7048

[Addison Website](#)

Sign up for [Addison Alerts](#)

[Volunteer](#)

[List of Restaurants](#)

[Addison News](#)

[Community Crime Map](#)

[Watch City Council Meetings](#)

[Addison's PEG Channel](#)
**(channel 99 for AT&T subscribers,
channel 16 for Spectrum subscribers)**

[Register your Security Alarm](#)

[Report a Problem with Addison FixIT](#)

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