



# COVID-19

## WEEKLY REPORT



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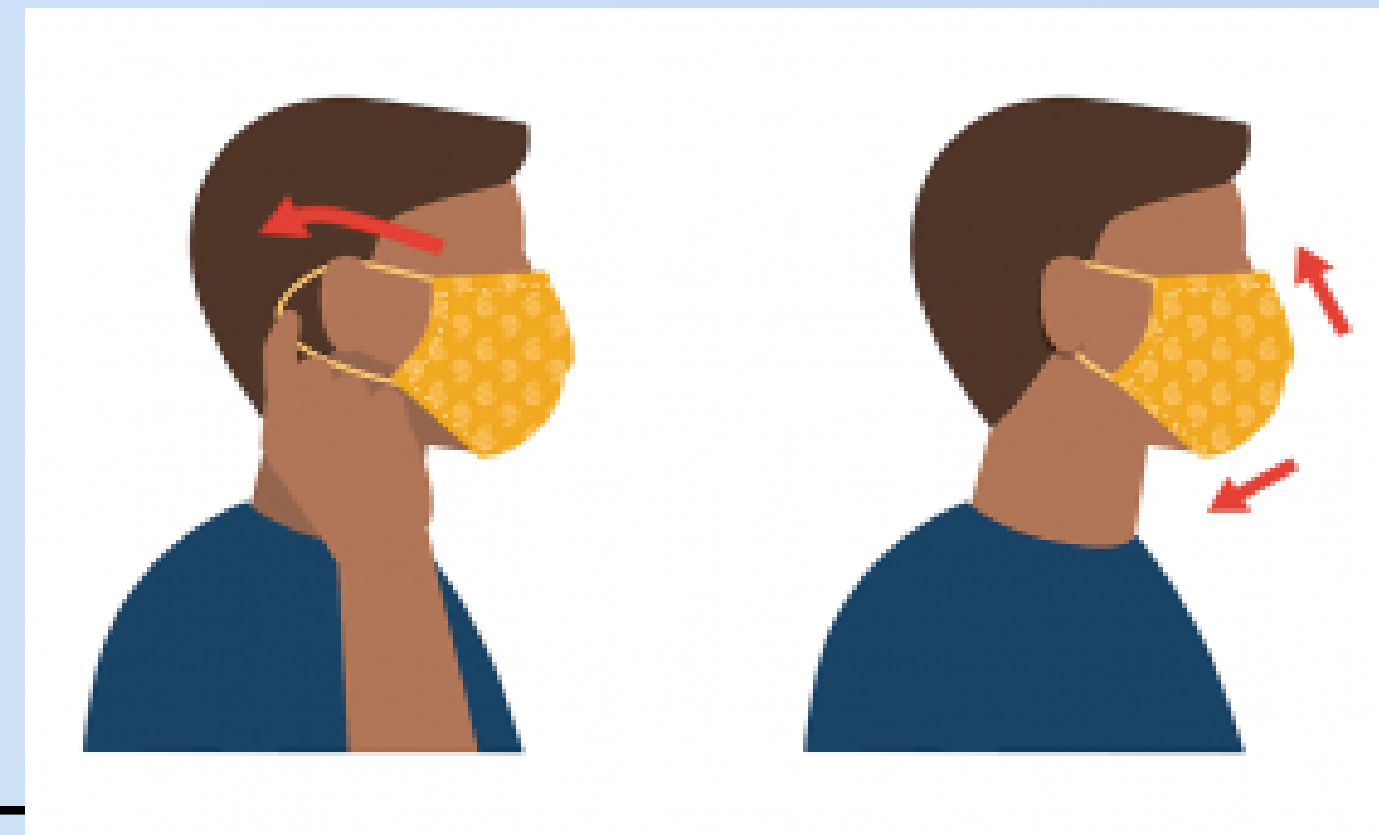
### MIDDLETON BY THE NUMBERS

March to Present  
**COVID-19 CASES** **131**  
Middleton Residents@ Large  
Recovered: 117  
**Active Cases: 8**  
Mortalities: 6

March to Present  
**COVID-19 CASES** **254**  
Middleton Jail & DYS

**Aggregate: 385**

### GOVERNOR'S RECENT ORDERS



#### Masks & Face-Coverings

**Governor's COVID-19 Order #55** (issued November 2, 2020) Revised order requiring all persons to wear face-coverings in all public places, even where they are able to maintain 6 feet of distance from others. Allows for an exception for residents who cannot wear a face-covering due to a medical or disabling condition, but allows employers to require employees to provide proof of such a condition. Allows schools to require that students participating in in-person learning provide proof of such a medical or disabling condition.

#### Limits on Gatherings

**Governor's COVID-19 Order #54** (issued November 2, 2020) Reduced gathering size limit for gatherings at private residences: indoor gatherings at private residences are limited to 10 people and outdoor gatherings at private residences are limited to 25 people. The limit on gatherings held in public spaces and at event venues remains the same. Requires that all gatherings (regardless of size or location) must end and disperse by 9:30 PM.

Also requires that organizers of gatherings report known positive COVID-19 cases to the local health department in that community and requires organizers to cooperate with contact tracing. The gathering order authorizes continued enforcement by local health and police departments and specifies that fines for violating the gathering order will be \$500 for each person above the limit at a particular gathering.

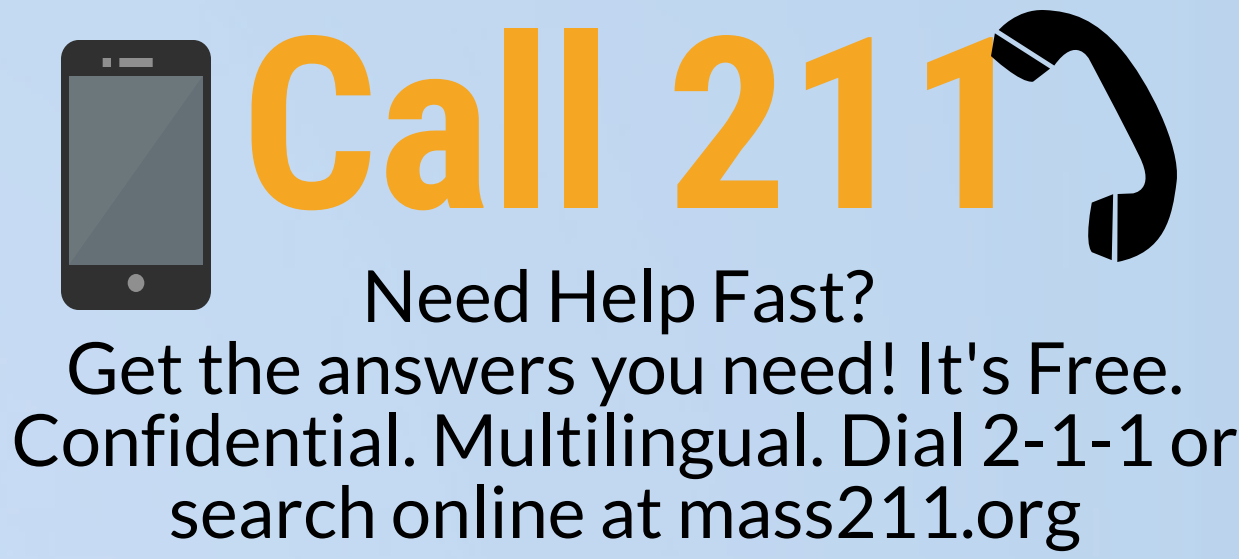
#### Social Gatherings = Parties

- Friend Gatherings
- Family Gatherings
- House Parties
- Holiday Parties
- Birthday Parties
- Dinner Parties
- Baby Showers
- Game Nights
- Sleepovers
- BBQs



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### STAY AT HOME ADVISORY

Beginning on Friday, November 6, 2020, all residents of Massachusetts are advised to stay home between the hours of 10pm and 5am.

COVID-19 case numbers in our state are rising and the Commonwealth's COVID-19 related hospitalizations and COVID-19 Intensive Care Unit (ICU) census have more than doubled over the past 2 months. Social gatherings are contributing to these increases. Left unchecked, the current COVID-19 case growth poses a risk to our healthcare system. Intervention is warranted to moderate case growth and preserve hospital capacity. It's more important than ever to follow guidance from local, state, and federal officials on how to stop the spread of the virus. It is critically important that everybody follows the steps listed below, not just for their own health and safety, but for the health and safety of their family and loved ones as well.

#### **In order to align with this advisory, between the hours of 10pm and 5am, you should:**

- Only leave home to go to work or school, or for essential needs such as seeking emergency medical care, going to the grocery store or pharmacy, picking up take-out food, or receiving deliveries. If you do leave home, practice social distancing by staying 6 feet away from others and wearing a face covering.
- Not have gatherings in your home with anybody outside of your household.
- Comply with all Governor's Orders, including orders requiring face coverings, limiting gatherings, and mandating early closure of businesses.
- Practice social distancing and avoid touching surfaces frequently touched by others if you go outside to get fresh air.
- Use remote modes of communication like phone or video chat instead of visiting friends or family.

Taking these steps is critical to preventing the spread of the virus, protecting the lives of you and your loved ones, and preserving our acute care hospital and other health care systems' capacity.