

Old Saybrook

COVID 19 Community UPDATE #64 – May 29, 2020

The following Community Update is being provided to you from the
Town of Old Saybrook Emergency Operations Center.

The intent of this document is to provide a summary of preparedness, response and
other government activities.

Public Safety & Community Information

- The Nation, State, and Town remain under Declared States of Emergency.
- The Town's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) remains operational.
- There were no new CONFIRMED cases of COVID-19 in Old Saybrook since Wednesday.
- Old Saybrook belongs to the Connecticut River Area Health District (CRAHD).
- This includes the Towns of Chester, Clinton, Deep River, Haddam, and Old Saybrook.
- There were new CONFIRMED cases of COVID-19 in our Health District since Monday.
- These are the current reported Positive Cases according to CRAHD:

-	Chester	-	46 Confirmed Cases	10 Deaths
-	Clinton	-	59 Confirmed Cases	3 Deaths
-	Deep River	-	12 Confirmed Cases	2 Deaths
-	Haddam	-	33 Confirmed Cases	1 Death
-	Old Saybrook	-	33 Confirmed Cases	
- In addition to Old Saybrook's residential cases listed above, Apple Rehab has 39 COVID-19 Positive Patients. 18 staff members have also tested positive.
- There have been nine (9) patients that succumbed to COVID-19. Our condolences to the families and staff members caring for them.
- To give perspective there are approximately 83 residents at Apple.
- Town Officials have been in contact with the State Department of Public Health regarding the matter at Apple Rehab.
- The State inspected the facility on Wednesday. Findings will be public next week.
- Based on the information that is being shared with us, we DO NOT feel that the matter at Apple Rehab will cause a Community Spread Problem.
- Gladeview Healthcare has voluntarily tested all 104 residents. None have symptoms.
- Gladeview has communicated to the Regional Health District that 101 tests results have been received – All are negative! 3 tests are still pending.

- The Town stands at the ready to support Apple Rehab and/or Gladeview Healthcare should they need any assistance.

- A Public Conference Call is scheduled tomorrow for members of the Business Community.

Call In Information - 1-408-418-9388 Meeting Number - 798 802 912 Password - 2684319

- Wear a mask to prevent Community Spread. We are counting on you!

- Still need face masks? Not able to make it last week? No problem!

- Simply stop by the Police Department, provide proof of residency, and get your masks!

- Restaurants that wish to apply for additional outdoor seating or the placement of tents will find the simplified application forms and instructions at the following link:

<https://www.oldsaybrookct.gov/home/news/covid-phase-1-reopening-expanded-outdoor-activities-application-instructions-and-forms>

- To make things easier for businesses making the request, Zoning, Fire Marshall, Health, Building, and Law Enforcement Officials are performing inspections together as a team to ensure the quick processing of applications.

- We are still very concerned about COVID-19. Please stay Vigilant!!

Social Services / Youth and Family Services

- Your emotional wellness is important! Make sure you're both physically & emotionally well!

- Youth and Family Services Counselors are providing tele-counseling services. 860-395-3190.

- YFS Programs are going virtual! Check it out <https://www.oldsaybrookct.gov/youth-and-family-services>

Public Health

- Maintain Social Distancing – Stay six (6) Feet away from another person.

- Do not participate in group activities that have more than five (5) people.

- Wash your hands often! It helps stop the spread of the virus!

- Wear a mask to help prevent community spread! (That's why we handed them out!)

- If you think a business is not operating in a safe manner, contact the Police Department.

Recovery Taskforce – Open OS!

- One of the four (4) phases of Emergency Management is "Recovery".

- The Town's Recovery Taskforce will meet again on Tuesday. There is much work being done!

- Let your voice be heard! Send your ideas to OpenOS@OldSaybrookPolice.com

Municipal Government Operations

- The Transfer Station will be open normal hours tomorrow.

- Additional signage will be present to remind transfer station customers to maintain social distancing, wear a mask when appropriate, and respect the personal space of the workers.

- Please respect our "Beach Rules". Beaches are still only open at 50% capacity to those with beach passes.

Public School District

- Plans for an alternative High School Graduation Ceremony were announced this afternoon to Graduating Seniors and their parents.
- It will be a “drive-in movie” style graduation that will allow graduates to obtain their diplomas in person at the high school!
- The entire event will be live streamed. The link will be provided to all the day of graduation!
- Following graduation, there will be a “lights and siren” parade around town giving many the opportunity to cheer on our graduates in a safe, social distancing manner!
- Take a drive by the High School this weekend and check out the awesome banners celebrating the Class of 2020!
- Plans for an alternative Middle School Closing Ceremony are nearing completion.
- Over the last two days the District has provided 817 Students with breakfast and lunch.

Good News!!

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

It's Time to create:

The Class of 2020 – Community Yearbook

This is a strange year for the Class of 2020....

So.....we are going to spend time in the EOC creating a:

Community Yearbook

filled with YOUR well wishes, advice, & humor for

Old Saybrook's High School Seniors and 8Th Grade Students!!

Please submit your Community Yearbook submission to us at:

Fun@OldSaybrookPolice.com

Be sure to include your full name and if your entry is for our graduating Seniors and/or 8th Graders!

Please make your submissions as soon as possible!

We will be giving prizes in many categories!!

- Most Creative, Most Thoughtful, Most Philosophical, Most Humorous, & Best Life Advice!
- Be safe. Keep Smiling. We will get through this!



**ONE COMMUNITY.
ONE TEAM.**

EMERGENCY Protective Measures

The Following Beach Rules MUST Be Followed!!



No More Than 5 People in a Group

*Exceptions are made for those with
immediate families of more than 5 who LIVE in the same house!*



Wear a Mask When Within 6 Feet of Others



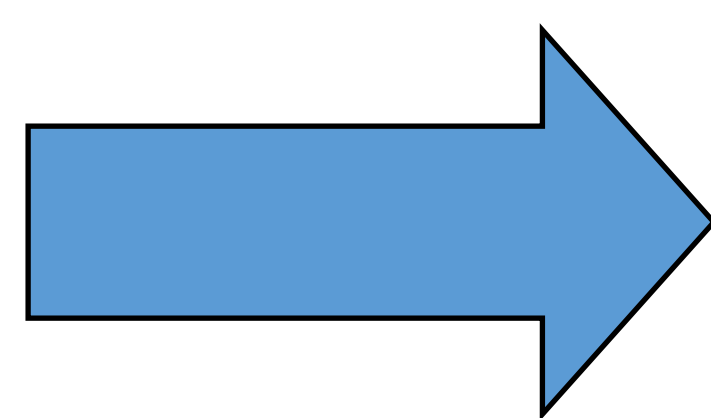
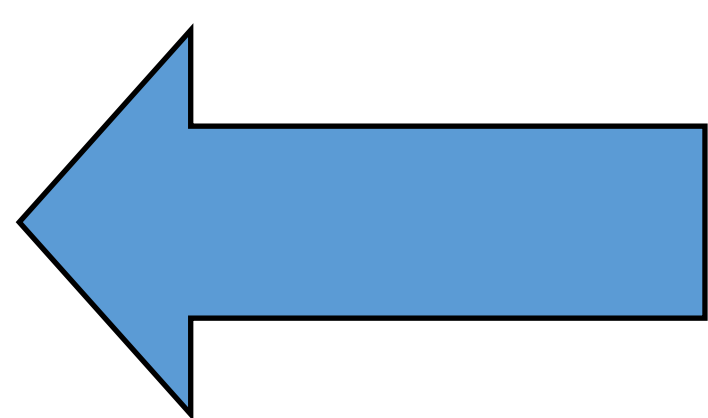
You do not have to wear a mask when sunbathing next to your immediate family.

You do not have to wear a mask while swimming.

If you are walking about the beach - You are Required to Wear a Mask!

If you are going to the concession stand or bathroom - You MUST Wear a Mask!

Maintain 15 Feet Between “Beach Set-Ups”

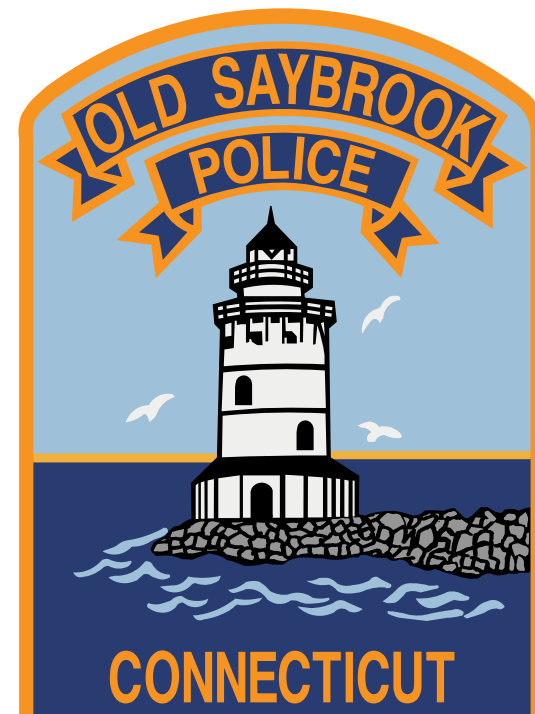


USE Trash Receptacles

Please Throw Your Trash Out!



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Old Saybrook

Emergency Operations Center

COMMUNITY YEARBOOK

The Emergency Operation Center is trying
to do something special
for our graduating High School Seniors and 8th Graders.

We are Making a Community Yearbook!

Our yearbook will be filled with
uplifting, encouraging, inspirational, funny & insightful

Messages from YOU!!!

Messages **MUST** be for **ALL** Students
(Not directed to one specific student)

No Photos Please!

Prizes will be issued for the:
Most Thoughtful, Most Creative, Most Philosophical,
Most Humorous, & Best Life Advice!

Winning families will receive a pizza and ice cream cake for Dinner!

Entries are due by Wednesday, June 10, 2020 at noon!



Send your Community Yearbook Submission to:

Fun@OldSaybrookPolice.com

