



August 28, 2020

**COVID-19 Status Report  
Oak Park Village Board of Trustees**

To: Village President and Village Board of Trustees

Fr: Cara Pavlicek, Village Manager

The memo is a means to share a brief summary of information regarding Village of Oak Park operational activities in response to COVID-19. In most cases, formal public guidance or employee guidance has been publicly disseminated via the Village website or Village social media channels.

*The issuance of the Status Reports will be increased to Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays in response to the slight uptick during this past seven day period.*

**New Public Health Guidance**

The Village of Oak Park Department of Public Health received notification of the following new COVID-19 cases; since last reported:

<u>Date</u>	<u># of Cases</u>	<u>Age of Cases</u>
August 27 (Thursday)	6	<20s to 40s
August 28 (Friday)	2	<20s to 20s

Excluding individuals for which street addresses are not yet determined, the State of Illinois reports a total of five-hundred and sixty-one (561) total Oak Park COVID-19 cases. It is important to note that as patient tracking and case follow-up occurs, individuals listed within the number of Oak Park cases reported may change depending on residency confirmation.

The Oak Park Department of Public Health is notified of positive tests as established by state and local public health protocol. Because of privacy laws, no additional information can be released about the individuals. It is noted, that privacy precludes location information regarding individuals tested to anyone other than Public Health Officials and First Responders.

The Oak Park Department of Public Health is working closely with officials from the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), investigating and notifying anyone who may have had exposure to the individual who tested positive for COVID-19. Local public health officials, hospitals and first responders are following protocols consistent with the latest guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Public Health Director Charley has also issued two Public Health Orders this week that are posted on the Village website at [www.oak-park.us/covid19](http://www.oak-park.us/covid19). The Orders extend the Retail Single-Use Bag Fee & Guidance on Reusable Bags as well as extend the Grocery Stores Supplemental Order. The orders are being extended due to the fact that State of Illinois Governor JB Pritzker's Executive Order 2020-43 ("COVID-19 Executive Order No. 41"), which is in effect in the Village has been extended by Governor Pritzker through September 19, 2020 per Executive Order 2020-52 (COVID-19 Executive Order No. 48").

It is important to note that the Governor has determined that reusable bags are not permitted during the pandemic and the Village may not override that determination. The Public Health Order is suspending the \$0.10 fee per bag during the pandemic as customers do not have the option of reusable bag.

### **State Lists Suburban Cook County at a Higher COVID Risk Level**

Based on regional metrics established by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), suburban Cook County has moved from blue to orange on the County Level Risk Metrics Map. An 'orange' designation indicates warning signs of increased COVID-19 risk. Eight different indicators are used to determine a county's designation. If two or more indicators are going in the wrong direction, the county will be designated as orange. An increase in case rates and number of deaths are driving the change to this 'orange' designation for suburban Cook County:

- Suburban Cook County is currently at 112 positive COVID-19 cases per 100,000 people. This is the third week the county has been above 90 cases per 100,000 people. The target established by the state is 50 cases per 100,000 people.
- There were 25 deaths in suburban Cook County last week; up from 15 deaths the week before.

Oak Park, Evanston, Skokie and Stickney Township are included in suburban Cook County (Region 10) and the orange designation, even though each of these communities have a certified Public Health Department. Chicago (Region 11) is served by Chicago Department of Public Health, separate from suburban Cook, and will remain blue.

Additionally, Public Health Director Charley has emailed all Oak Park restaurants about updated Guidance from Governor Pritzker which went into effect Wednesday August 26, and requires all restaurant and bar patrons to wear a face covering when approached or served by an employee, including but not limited to when employees take orders, deliver food and beverages and service tables, whether dining indoors or outdoors. Patrons must also wear face coverings when picking up carry out orders. These new restrictions are in effect statewide including Oak Park.

It is important to note that while today's move to orange does not change any of the existing business DCEO guidance/rules, it is an indication that we are at a critical juncture because if metrics in the Cook Region continue in the wrong direction and meet the "resurgence criteria"

the State will impose restrictions, such as reduce maximum gathering size to 25 and prohibit indoor dining in restaurants. The potential is of course very concerning.

Everyone is asked to continue to support communications about wearing a mask, observing social distance, and hand washing to slow the spread of COVID-19. It is also recommended that individuals self-quarantine based on travel guidance to states with high rates of community transmission. This guidance was issued by Director Charley on July 17, 2020 and can be found at [www.oak-park.us/covid19](http://www.oak-park.us/covid19) under Orders and Guidelines entitled GUIDANCE FOR TRAVEL OUTSIDE OF ILLINOIS AND QUARANTINE.

### Cases related to Long-Term Care and Assisted Living Facilities

Public Health Director Charley reported on additional staff member case at Brookdale Oak Park, 1111 Ontario which is the thirteenth staff positive case at the facility.

Facility Name	# of Resident Cases	# of Resident Deaths	# of Staff Cases
Belmont Village of Oak Park	2	2	5
Berkeley Nursing & Rehab Center	4	3	1
Brookdale Oak Park	8	1	13
Oak Park Arms	6	1	4
Oasis of Oak Park	23	11	6

### Cases growing among residents under 40

Oak Park residents testing positive for COVID-19 are increasingly trending younger since the Illinois economy began to reopen. Public Health Director Charley reports that since July 1 the number of cases among those under 40 years old has grown to nearly 60 percent of reported cases, nearly double the percentage of cases reported among this age range during the early months of the pandemic. The increase in confirmed cases among the 14 to 19 year-old age range appear to be driving the increase, as this age category has grown to more than 20 percent of all cases from less than 2 percent prior to July. More information is posted on the Village website at <https://www.oak-park.us/news/covid-19-cases-growing-among-under-40-population>.

**Walk-up testing** – The Cook County Health Department is working to host a walk-up COVID-19 testing site on Sept. 1 either in Oak Park or Forest Park. Among the sites under consideration are the parking lot for the [Carleton Hotel motor inn](#) at Pleasant Street and Maple Avenue and a parking lot in the same vicinity on Harlem Avenue in Forest Park. If the Oak Park site is chosen, individuals who drive there will be urged park in the nearby [Eleven33](#) apartment building lot on South Boulevard, which offers easy access to Maple Avenue via a pedestrian walkway. A final decision on the site may not come until Monday (Aug. 31), which won't leave much time to help spread the word. Given that only 300 tests will be available, a short promotion window might help keep demand more in line with supply.

### Data Review

New cases per 100,000 People in Oak Park moved again from reporting earlier this week.

Monday 46.2/100,000

Wednesday 69.2/100,000

Friday 59.6/100,000

The rate in Cook County today is 112/100,000. This metric looks at the number of recent COVID-19 cases per 100,000 people to describe the potential number of people who are currently ill and may be infectious. This is the number of new cases reported by IDPH in the previous week. Calculated as a rate = [Village of Oak Park case count for 7 days] / [Village population] x100,000. The State is using this metric,

<https://www.dph.illinois.gov/countymetrics?county=Cook> as one of several indicators that measure the health burden of COVID-19 in each Illinois County.

### All Cases through 08/28/2020

Age Range	Total	% of Cases
0-4	12	2.1%
4-13	14	2.5%
14-19	46	8.2%
20-29	102	18.2%
30-39	91	16.2%
40-49	91	16.2%
50-59	77	13.7%
60-69	55	9.8%
70-79	41	7.3%
80-89	25	4.5%
90-99	7	1.2%
Total	561	

Director Charley is reporting with the addition of percentage difference to more easily provide data that may inform decision making. For example Director Charley notes that the largest percentage increase in cases is in the 14-19 year old age range, followed by 0-4, then 5-13.

<b>Age Range</b>	<b>% of Cases &lt;07/01/20</b>	<b>% Cases &gt;=07/01/2020</b>	<b>Calculated Difference</b>	<b>% difference</b>
0-4	0.9%	4.2%	3.3%	130.9
5-13	1.2%	4.6%	3.5%	119.9
14-19	1.7%	18.5%	16.8%	165.7
20-29	14.5%	24.1%	9.6%	49.7
30-39	16.5%	15.7%	-0.8%	-4.8
40-49	17.1%	14.8%	-2.3%	-14.3
50-59	16.8%	8.8%	-8.0%	-62.6
60-69	12.8%	5.1%	-7.7%	-85.9
70-79	9.9%	3.2%	-6.6%	-101.0
80-89	6.7%	0.9%	-5.7%	-151.2
90-99	2.0%	0.0%	-2.0%	-200.0

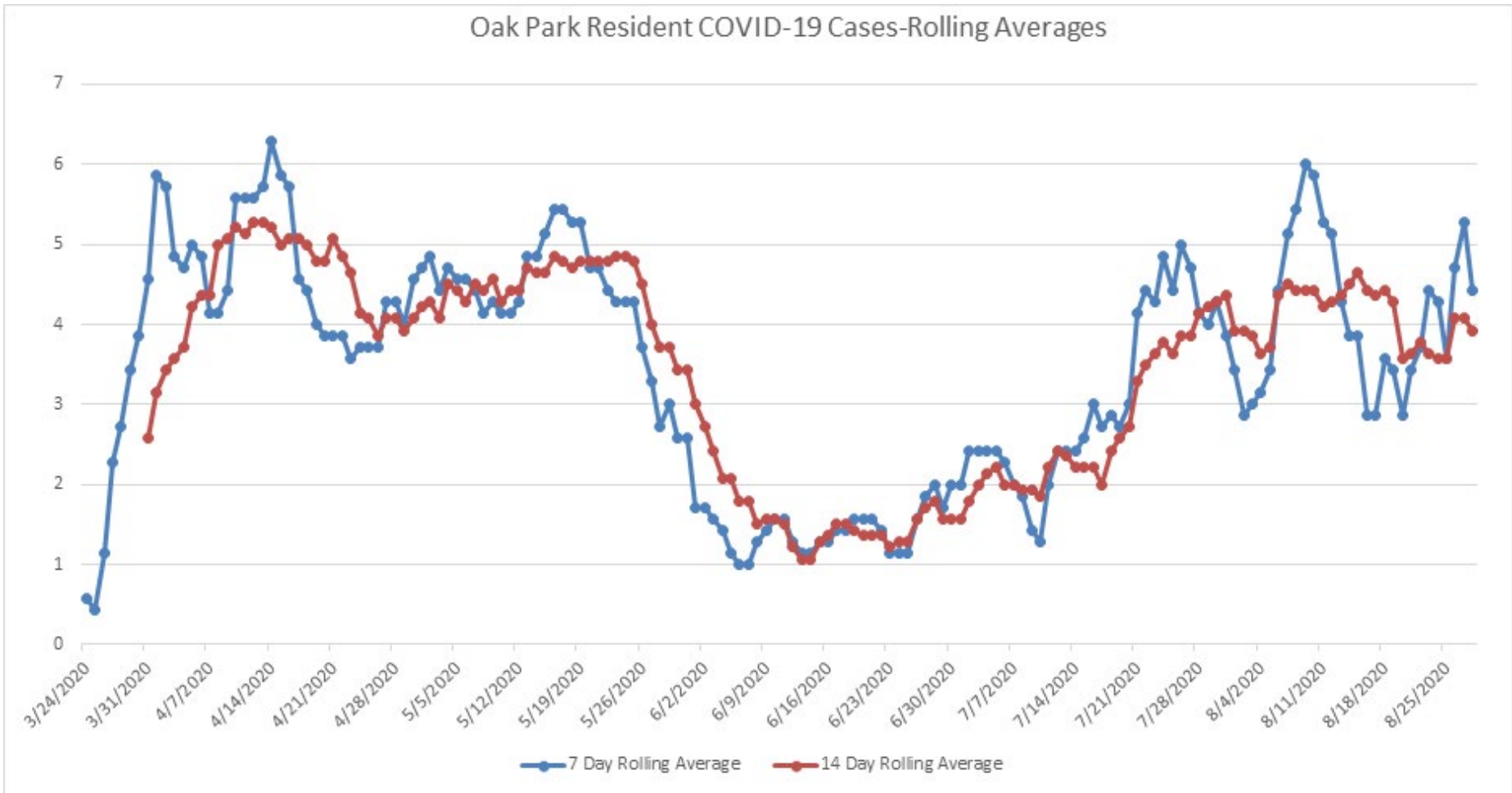
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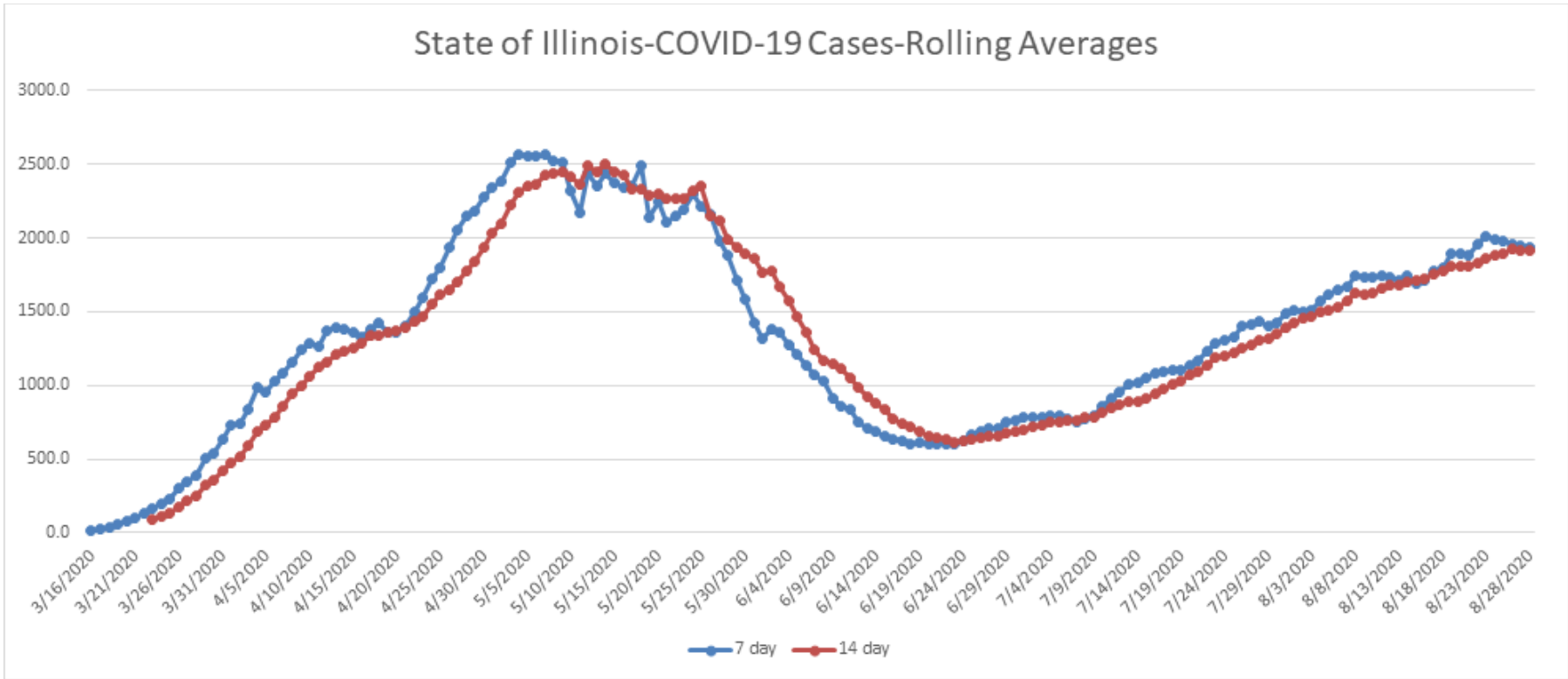
Age Range	<07/01/20	% of Cases
0-4	3	0.9%
5-13	4	1.2%
14-19	6	1.7%
20-29	50	14.5%
30-39	57	16.5%
40-49	59	17.1%
50-59	58	16.8%
60-69	44	12.8%
70-79	34	9.9%
80-89	23	6.7%
90-99	7	2.0%
Total	345	

Age Range	>=07/01/20	% of Cases
0-4	9	4.2%
5-13	10	4.6%
14-19	40	18.5%
20-29	52	24.1%
30-39	34	15.7%
40-49	32	14.8%
50-59	19	8.8%
60-69	11	5.1%
70-79	7	3.2%
80-89	2	0.9%
90-99	0	0.0%
Total	216	

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Total				



Oak Park: 7 & 14 Day Rolling Averages: 7 day is 4.4 and 14 day 3.9



State of Illinois: 7 & 14 Day Rolling Averages: 7 day is 1,936 and 14 day 1,911

8/26/2020