



## CORONAVIRUS BRIEFING: MAY 29, 2020

THE CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS BRIEFING FOR THE TOWN OF WELLESLEY

Visit Wellesley's Coronavirus Information Hub at [www.wellesleyma.gov/coronavirus](http://www.wellesleyma.gov/coronavirus)

### Wellesley Health Department COVID-19 Case Update.

Total confirmed cases in Massachusetts: 95,912 New Cases Today: 617

Total cases in Norfolk County: 7,959

Total cases in Wellesley: 211\* (1 new)

\*82 cases total in Wellesley long-term care facilities

Positive antibody tests: 1 new, 39 total

Positive antibody tests are reported separately and are not part of the total COVID-19 case count in Wellesley. Comprehensive information about the key public health indicators for reopening Massachusetts is updated daily on the [Massachusetts Department of Public Health COVID-19 dashboard](#).

### Phase Two Restaurant and Lodging Guidance.

As part of the planning for Phase Two of reopening Massachusetts, the Governor and public health officials released a preview of safety standards and checklists for restaurants and lodging operators. [Read the restaurant information.](#) [Read the lodging information.](#) Phase Two of the State reopening plan is expected to begin on June 8.

### Parks, Playing Fields and Tennis Courts Open for Limited Use.

Wellesley parks, most playing fields, and public tennis courts are now open to the public for limited use. Specific guidelines are in place and signs are posted in these areas. [Read the detailed guidelines for parks and fields.](#)



When using parks and fields, please remember to maintain social distancing of at least six feet or wear a mask if this is not possible.

### 2020 Annual Town Meeting Test.

Wellesley's 2020 Annual Town Meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 22. Pending legislation, the meeting may take place remotely via Zoom. All Town Meeting members are invited to a test of the remote process on Thursday, June 4 at 7 p.m. Details and registration information for the test will be sent to all Town Meeting members in advance.

### REMINDER: Tax Payments Due on Monday.

All Wellesley real and personal property tax payments and applications for exemptions/deferrals are due on Monday, June 1, 2020 by 5 p.m. The regular payment deadline of May 1 was extended due to the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic. Residents are encouraged to pay bills online or drop payments in the locked drop box on the Washington Street entrance to Town Hall, across from the bell. No walk-in payments are accepted. [See online payment details here.](#)

## #WellesleyWillBeWell

### Watch for Unemployment Fraud.

The Wellesley Police Department is urging residents to watch for unemployment fraud. Officers have recently investigated a number of incidents where someone's identity is used to falsely claim unemployment benefits. Residents who suspect they may be victims of fraud should immediately contact the **Wellesley Police Department at 781-235-1212** and [report the fraud to the State](#).

### Together Apart.

We captured this photo of Wellesley salon GrettaCole going to great lengths to serve customers and stay safe. Thank you to all of our businesses for their outstanding – and sometimes outside - efforts!



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