



VINALHAVEN PUBLIC HEALTH TEAM

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The Public Health Team meets on a semi-regular basis and more frequently when necessary. We will provide the community with relevant COVID-19 information in a timely manner. This collaborative partnership has been in place since March 2020 when Maine declared a civil state of emergency.

Active Case Count

As of Thursday, January 13, 2022, ICMS is reporting that there are **41* confirmed cases** of COVID on Vinalhaven, an increase of 10 since Monday 1/10. This count represents the cumulative cases reported since December 26, 2021.

**This count only represents the confirmed positive tests that have been shared with ICMS.*

Known Cases 01-13-2022

Vinalhaven

Confirmed Positive– 41

Maine

Daily Reported Cases – 1,555

State and county data, click [here](#).

From the School

The school will continue remote instruction until Jan 21st.

There will be no basketball practices or games through next Wednesday (1/19).

The School Board will revisit the status of school and sports at their next meeting on the 19th of January.

Island Business Updates and Changes

Some businesses have changed their hours or operations as a result of the recent increase in COVID-19 cases. Below are some of the ones we have seen post notices:

- **Fishermen's Friend** - TEMPORARILY shorten our hours. We will be open 6am - 6pm for the time being. This will start TUESDAY (1/11) and continue for a week or 2.
- **The Island's Closet** - we are going to go curbside at the closet. If you need to see items, please call the Closet Tuesday through Saturday at 863-2773 between 10 and four. We will gladly take pictures and send them to you and we can either deliver or you can pick up curbside.
- **Carver's Harbor Market**: No change in hours. Continue to deliver on Tuesday mornings. Masks are required inside the store.
- **Island Spirits**: open Tuesday through Saturday 11-5. Curbside pick up and delivery continue to be available. Masks required.
- **Creelman Farm Store**: End of season sale postponed until the surge has passed.
- **WindHorse Arts**: Open by appointment(207 449-6285) only during the winter months, as Alison has shifted from a store to a studio format at this time.
- **Sandbar**: Open for dine-in, take-out, and curbside service. Bar and kitchen close at 8 pm. Hours are subject to change at any time, call or check their Facebook page for updates.
- **Lunchbox and Meals on Wheels** continue as scheduled but are take out and delivery only.

This is likely not a complete list, but we will do our best to share what we are seeing or have heard so you know how to access the island businesses.

Questions?

- Contact 2-1-1 for general information about COVID-19 or visit Maine CDC's website.
- Contact ICMS, 863-4341 if you are looking to schedule an appointment for a vaccine.
- Contact the school, 863-4800, with questions about school COVID policies.
- Businesses with COVID-19 questions can call 2-1-1 or the Town Manager, 863-2042

ICMS UPDATE

ICMS is establishing set hours for all COVID testing. Starting today all COVID tests will be scheduled between 8 am and 10 am (morning) and 3 pm to 4 pm (afternoon).

Please be aware that testing supplies are becoming scarce.

ICMS is waiting delivery of additional test kits. Due to the high demand, we are asking the community to quarantine, and test based on CDC guidelines. The most recent testing guidance can be found at this site:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/quarantine-isolation.html>