

Public Notice

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Updates to screening process for patrons of City facilities

In accordance with provincial regulations, the City of Brantford will be implementing the following updates for patrons attending City recreational facilities:

- As of December 20, 2021, youth 12 to 17 years old are required to show proof of identification and vaccination or exemption to enter a recreational facility for purposes including organized recreational sport. Examples of proof of identification are a birth certificate, citizenship card, driver's license, Government-issued identification card such as health card, Indian Status Card/Indigenous Member Card, Passport and permanent resident card. Student cards will not be accepted.
 - Note for clarification: For children born in 2010 who are participating in activities that require proof of vaccinations, they will be required to provide proof of vaccination 12 weeks after their 12th birthday.
- As of January 4, 2022, the City of Brantford will only accept the QR code issued by the Province of Ontario as proof of vaccination to enter a recreational facility. To download your QR code, please visit <u>https://covid-19.ontario.ca/get-proof/</u>.
- As of January 10, 2022, the City of Brantford will no longer accept physician notes; patrons must use the QR code system instead.

As this new regulation comes into effect, we request your patience and cooperation as we adapt to the new provincial requirements.

Protect yourself and others

As of Monday, December 20, 2021, COVID-19 booster dose eligibility will expand to those who are 18+ years old and 84 days have passed since their second dose. To book your vaccine appointment, please visit the Brant County Health Unit's website at <u>www.bchu.org</u> or Ontario's online booking portal at covid19.ontariohealth.ca. You can also book your COVID-19 vaccine appointment through participating pharmacies at covid-19.ontario.ca/vaccine-locations.

Stay Vigilant

Please continue to follow these important COVID-19 guidelines to keep yourself and others in our community safe:

• Wash your hands frequently, avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth, cover coughs or sneezes, clean and disinfect surfaces and stay home if you are sick.

- Wear a face covering in all public enclosed indoor spaces or when physical distancing (2 metres apart from those outside your household) cannot be maintained outdoors to reduce the risk of transmission.
- Book your COVID-19 vaccination through the Brant County Health Unit.

Additional updates regarding City programs and services are shared regularly on the City's Facebook

and Twitter pages and at www.Brantford.ca/Coronavirus.

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