

COVID-19 Update for Devens: September 10, 2020



School Openings: The MA Department of Education has information and FAQ's for parents and guardians of kids returning to school: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/covid19/faq/> . To ensure the safe opening and operation of schools, the state has launched rapid response testing initiatives for schools to address potential clusters of COVID-19 cases among students, teachers or staff at a school building. Details: <https://www.mass.gov/news/baker-polito-administration-announces-testing-initiatives-to-support-k-12-schools>



Travel Order: All visitors and Massachusetts residents returning home, including students returning to campuses for the fall semester, are still required to fill out a "Massachusetts Travel Form" and quarantine for 14 days unless they are coming from a COVID-19 lower risk state or they can produce a negative COVID-19 test result administered no more than 72 hours prior to arriving in Massachusetts, unless they meet one of the exemption criteria. Read the full updated guidance [here](#).

Continued Enforcement Measures to help Stop the Spread: We all need to do our part to stop the spread. If you would like to report a potential violation of any COVID-19 guidelines and orders, go to: <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/reopening-covid-19-compliance>

Shop and Eat Local! Help support local businesses within the Devens region during this pandemic. Go to <https://www.findmylocalma.com/> to find local shops, restaurants, and attractions across the state. Information on local restaurants still open within the Devens region can be found at: https://www.devensec.com/news/WHERE_TO_EAT_LOCALLY_7_10_20.pdf

Remember Restrictions on Gatherings: Current COVID-19 guidelines limit outdoor gatherings to 50 people and indoor gatherings to 25 people. This applies to all types of gatherings, on both public and private property. Face coverings are also required. Public safety officials, including state and local law enforcement, have the jurisdiction to enforce these guidelines and event hosts in violation of these orders will be subject to fines or cease and desist orders.

Workplace Safety Standards: [Click here](#) for a complete list of workplace safety standards.

Get tested: A full list of all COVID-19 testing sites in MA is available at www.mass.gov/gettested . Any individual who needs a safe place to isolate can call (617) 367-5150 to access an isolation and recovery site at no cost.

Please continue to practice social distancing, wear a mask in public, and do your part to prevent the spread of COVID-19 by washing your hands frequently and staying home if you are experiencing any symptoms. More information on COVID-19 for MA businesses and residents can be found at: <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-updates-and-information> .

BE WELL & SAFE!

The Devens Enterprise Commission (DEC), acting in its capacity as the local Board of Health for Devens, continues to monitor the situation in Devens in collaboration with the Nashoba Associated Boards of Health, the Devens Public Safety Officer (Devens Fire Chief Tim Kelly), and MassDevelopment. **For immediate questions and concerns, residents and businesses can dial 2-1-1.** Any Questions for the DEC can be directed to 978.772.8831.