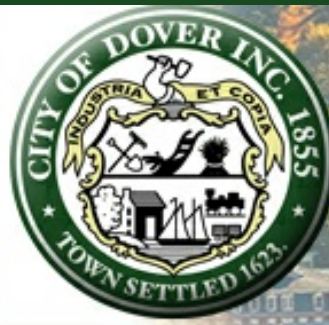


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News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



November 19, 2021



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City Hall
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Monday-Thursday:
8:30 a.m. to 5:30
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Friday:
8:30 a.m. to 4
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Recycling
Center hours:

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Current and former Dover Housing Authority employee who served under Jack Buckley celebrate with him the renaming of St. John's Apartments to Jack Buckley Commons. Pictured, from left, are Wendy Chadwick Tenney, Linda Blough, Ernie Clark, May Glovinski, Jack Buckley, Otis Perry, Bill Gregorakas and Cathy Conway-Dorr.

Dover Housing Authority

Thursday,
Saturday:
8:30 a.m. to 3:30
p.m.

renames St. John's building in honor of Jack Buckley

The Dover Housing Authority honored Jack Buckley, former Dover mayor and longtime DHA executive director, by renaming St. John's Apartments to Jack Buckley Commons.

The new granite "Jack Buckley Commons" sign was unveiled at a Nov. 9 ceremony attended by Buckley and his family along with current and former DHA and City of Dover officials, with Don Briand as master of ceremonies. Buckley was executive director of DHA from 1979 to 2013. He was mayor of Dover from 1978 to 1979.

The building at 18 Chapel Street was built by St. John's Methodist Episcopal Church in 1875. The church continued to use the building through 1970 when it opened a new building on Cataract Avenue. In 1981, the Buckley-led DHA purchased the Chapel Street church building for \$58,000 and converted it into housing for the elderly and the disabled. It was Buckley's first major project as executive director.

The DHA Board of Commissioners approved the renaming of the building through a resolution at its Dec. 22, 2020 meeting. DHA's renaming resolution also highlights other Buckley initiatives, such as collaborating with the Dover Police Department to introduce community policing to the DHA's Whittier Falls Housing neighborhood and the construction of the HeadStart and Seymour Osman Community Center buildings.

"Jack Buckley inspired and led the Dover Housing Authority throughout his career in providing permanent housing and supportive services for residents and participants with passion and caring, making him a leader in the city, the region and nationally and a model for public service," it states in the resolution.

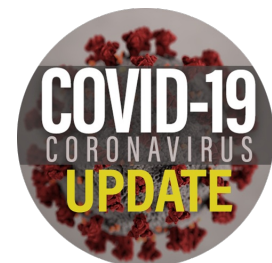
For more information, contact Dover Housing Authority at 603-742-5804.

COVID-19 infections, hospitalizations on the rise in New Hampshire, locally

With COVID-19 coronavirus infections on the rise, state and local health officials are urging people to continue efforts to mitigate the virus, including COVID-19 vaccinations, the use of masks indoors, washing hands and using hand sanitizer, avoiding high-risk gatherings, and getting tested for COVID-19 if experiencing symptoms or if exposed to someone with COVID-19.

Widespread vaccination for COVID-19 is a critical tool to best protect everyone, especially those at highest risk, from severe illness and death. People who are fully vaccinated can safely resume many activities that they did prior to the pandemic.

"Even though our vaccination numbers in this area are good, they're not where we want them to be to prevent continued spread of COVID-19," said Dover Fire Chief Paul Haas. Haas is also the City's Emergency Management Director. "The way to put the brakes on the virus is



through vaccination."

New Hampshire's Department of Health and Human Services on Thursday announced more than 986 new COVID-19 cases, a 18% increase in cases over the previous seven-day period.

State epidemiologist Dr. Benjamin Chan said the numbers are similar to where the state was last December and in January of this year, meaning the increase in cases now is happening sooner than it did last year as the colder months approach.

Wentworth-Douglass Hospital released a statement this week urging people to visit the emergency room only for acute care as the number of COVID-19 patients continues to rise. On Tuesday, the hospital reported it was treating 34 COVID-19 patients, 30 of whom are unvaccinated, an all-time high for the hospital. As a result, the hospital's emergency department was significantly over capacity, requiring that some patients be diverted to other facilities.

In its statement, hospital officials urged people to get vaccinated.

In addition to an increase in hospitalizations at Wentworth-Douglass Hospital in Dover and at hospitals across the state, NHDHHS on Wednesday also reported nine additional deaths due to COVID-19.

For more on vaccinations and the COVID-19 coronavirus, see the COVID-19 section in this edition of Dover Download below.



Tri-cities agree to expand Warming Center hours and operations this winter

The city councils of Somersworth and Rochester approved amending the tri-city agreement with the City of Dover and Community Action Partnership of Strafford County (CAPSC) to expand the use and staffing of the Strafford County Emergency Extreme Cold Weather Warming Center (Warming Center). The amended agreement expands operations from an as-needed basis to daily use from Nov. 29, 2021, through April 1, 2022. CAPSC will provide staffing at the Warming Center.

The Somersworth City Council approved the agreement on Monday, Nov. 15, followed by the Rochester City Council on Tuesday, Nov. 16. The Dover City Council [approved the amended](#)

[agreement](#) at its Nov. 10 meeting. As with the original contract, the cities of Dover and Rochester will each expend up to \$49,433.50 to support operations, and Somersworth would provide in-kind services, such as medical, fire and police services as part of the agreement. The City of Dover will also pay for utility and property services for the 30 Willand Drive, Somersworth property it purchased last year with grant funds for an emergency warming center. CAPSC will provide funding to pay staff for the expanded operations through a New Hampshire Emergency Rental Assistance grant from New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority.

CAPSC will rely on community donations to provide food at the Warming Center throughout the season and has created a sign-up link to allow those to sign-up for a date to provide food. Visit <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4aa5a728a2fec70-meals1> to sign-up.

CAPSC also seeks volunteers to help provide coverage at the Warming Center along with paid staff. To sign-up, visit <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4aa5a728a2fec70-novdec>. CAPSC will provide training. One is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 23. Email Dan Clark at dclark@straffordcap.org if interested in the November 23 training session. Additional training opportunities will occur in December.

Lastly, CAPSC seeks donations to stock the Warming Center, from ground coffee to paper towels to plastic utensils. View the list and sign-up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4aa5a728a2fec70-warming>.

CAPSC will operate the Warming Center as a low-barrier shelter. To obtain funding from the emergency rental assistance grant, CAPSC will register those who utilize the services of the Warming Center.

Upcoming Thanksgiving holiday hours for City administrative offices and facilities

Curbside trash and recycling pickup will be delayed next week by one day, beginning Thursday

City administrative offices, including **City Hall**, will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 25, and Friday Nov. 26, 2021, for Thanksgiving. In addition, city administrative offices will close at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 24.

The **Public Library** will be closed on Thanksgiving Day and Friday, Nov. 26. The Public Library will close at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 24.

The **Recycling Center** on Mast Road will be closed on Thanksgiving Day.

All **Recreation facilities** will be closed on Thanksgiving Day.

The **Dover Community Senior Center** is closed on Thanksgiving Day and Friday, Nov. 26.

The **Dover Arena** and **Indoor Pool** will be open during regular hours on Friday, Nov. 26.

Inspection Services, located at the North End Fire Station, will be closed on Thanksgiving Day and Friday, Nov. 26.

Curbside trash and recycling pickup will be delayed one day on Thursday and Friday only. Curbside pickup regularly scheduled on Thursday will be picked up Friday and curbside pickup regularly scheduled on Friday will be picked up Saturday.

Thanksgiving is a parking holiday and no payment at the meters is required. Downtown parking is also free on Friday, part of the the Plaid Friday initiative to encourage shopping local, and Saturday, in recognition of Small Business Saturday, which also encourages shopping at local, small businesses.



Dover's fall leaf collection continues

The City of Dover 2021 fall leaf collection continues this week, through today, Friday, Nov. 19, and through the weeks of Nov. 22 and Nov. 29.

Bagged leaves will be picked up on the same day as trash and recycling. Please note that pickup is delayed by one day on Thursday, Nov. 26 and Friday, Nov. 27, due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

Leaves must be placed curbside in biodegradable paper leaf bags. No brush will be accepted. Paper bags can be purchased at local hardware or home improvement stores.

Grass clippings, leaves, brush and yard waste are also accepted at the Recycling Center during regular operating hours, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

For more information, contact the Community Services Department at 516-6450.



Sunday hours at the Recycling Center

Through Dec. 6, the City of Dover Recycling Center is open additional hours on Sundays, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The Recycling Center's regular hours are Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

For more information about the Recycling Center, call 516-6450.



Catch a daylong Dover Holiday Parade on Channel 22 on Sunday, Nov. 28

The annual Dover Holiday Parade that typically occurs on the Sunday following Thanksgiving will not happen this year, City Manager J. Michael Joyal Jr., said during his City Manager's report at a recent City Council meeting.

Joyal said the organizations that most recently produced the parade were not able to organize it this year. The Dover Holiday Parade is not a City of Dover or Greater Chamber of Commerce event. Each year, a civic organization has undertaken the production of the parade. Last year, the Dover Holiday Parade was canceled due to COVID-19 concerns.

But no Holiday Parade doesn't mean you can't enjoy some holiday cheer. On Sunday, Nov. 28, tune in to Channel 22 for a daylong kick-off to the holidays. Beginning at 6 a.m. on Nov. 28, Channel 22 will begin airing holiday parades from years past, which will continue until 10 p.m. that evening. Over the course of the day, more than 10 years of parades will air for this special broadcast.

Not able to watch on Channel 22? Catch the Channel 22 live stream at <https://dovernh.viebit.com>.

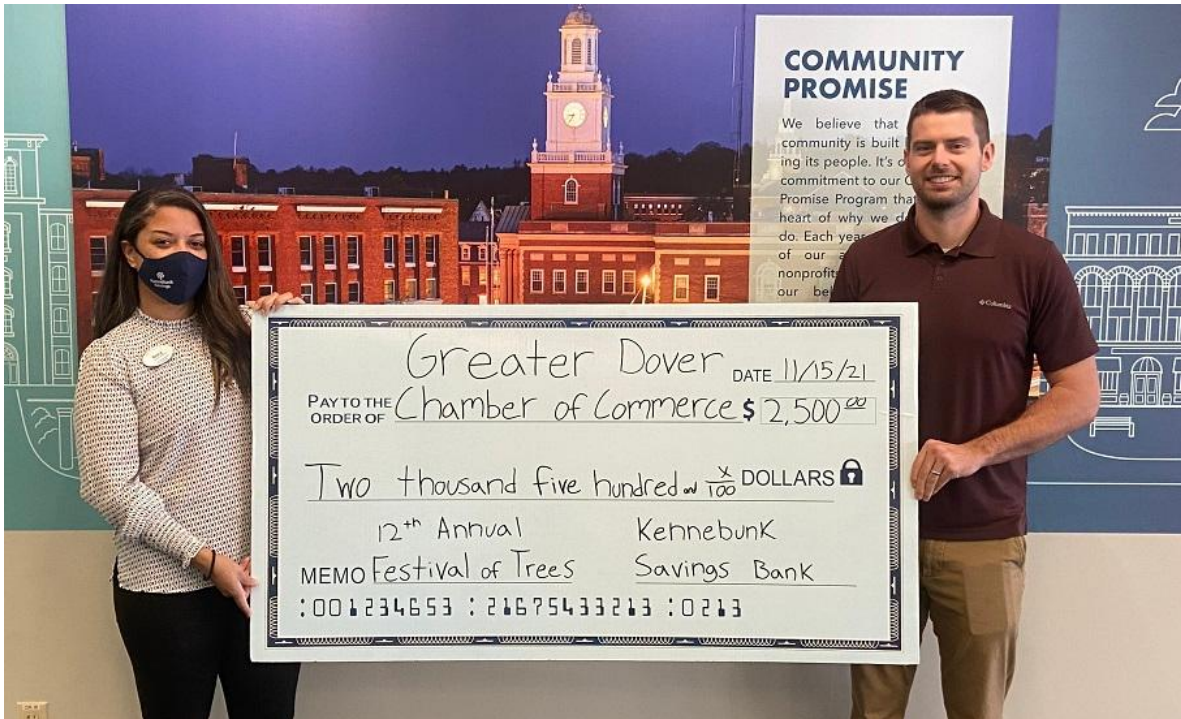
No need to bundle up this year while waiting for Santa. Kick back and enjoy a daylong holiday parade.



Santa Claus is Coming to Town

Sunday,
December 12
1pm - 4pm

Be on the lookout for
Santa and his escort of
elves throughout Dover!
A full parade route will
be posted soon!



Kennebunk Savings will serve as the underwriter for the 2021 Festival of Trees in Dover. Pictured are, from left, Assistant Vice President and Branch Manager of Kennebunk Savings Dory Polanco and Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce Events Manager Morgan Faustino.

Festival of Trees returns Dec. 3

The 12th annual Dover Festival of Trees will take place on Friday, Dec. 3 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Rivermill at Dover Landing. The event is free and open to the public.

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce, the host of the event, is pleased to announce that Kennebunk Savings will once again serve as the underwriting sponsor.

“We’re proud to be a part of this celebration in Dover and continue our support for an event that brings the community together for the holidays,” says Kennebunk Savings President and Chief Executive Officer Bradford C. Paige.



Dover’s premier holiday festival will feature more than 35 elaborate trees sponsored and decorated by local businesses, all available to be taken home through silent and live auction or raffle drawing. The event also includes live choir performances, refreshments, free goodie bags for kids (sponsored by Mr. Electric of Southeast NH), and even a visit from Santa (sponsored by J.T. Travis Blacktop Services). The main attraction will be the Raffle Tree, which will be fully decorated with hundreds of dollars in gift cards to local restaurants and retailers. Tickets for the raffle tree will be \$5 each, or five for \$20.

Trees are still available for sponsorship by local businesses and organizations. Sponsorship is \$55 for Chamber members and \$75 for non-members. Sponsorship includes the tree and tree stand. The sponsor is responsible for providing all decorations and promotional items for the tree. Organizations interested in sponsorship should reach out to Community Events Manager Morgan Faustino at events@dovernh.org or call (603) 742-2218.

The Festival of Trees is a fundraiser that benefits the Dover Chamber’s City Lights Committee, a volunteer group of residents and Chamber members dedicated to illuminating downtown Dover during the holiday season and hanging American flags on Central Avenue during the summer months.

For more information on Festival of Trees, contact the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce at (603) 742-2218 or visit www.dovernh.org/fot.



Dover’s annual Christmas Tree Lighting is Dec. 3

The 36th annual Christmas Tree Lighting in Henry Law Park will be held on Friday, Dec. 3, 2021 at 6 p.m.

Nancy Gurick will lead attendees in singing popular Christmas songs around the tree.

Everyone is encouraged to attend this family tradition, held each holiday season, and to bring a

weather-appropriate ornament to hang on the tree.

Please dress warm and join in for some caroling around the tree.

Last year's tree lighting was held virtually and can be viewed here:

<https://dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?hash=skhpKPnuwPUq>.

For more information, contact the Recreation Department at 603-516-6401.

Shopping local for holiday gifts is a 'win-win' for retailers and shoppers

Win gift baskets filled with goods from local shops

With the growing fear that holiday gifts could be stuck on cargo ships, many are looking toward locally-owned shops to fill their Christmas and holiday season wish lists. Those who shop downtown Dover will find shelves stocked with unique one-of-a-kind gifts and can even be entered to win gift baskets as a bonus for shopping local.

From Sunday, Nov. 28 through Monday, Dec. 20, shoppers who spend at least \$10 at five participating downtown retail shops may enter to win locally filled gift baskets brimming with home goods, apparel, local treats, and gift cards to area shops. To enter the gift basket raffle, customers can pick up a raffle ticket at any of the 27 participating businesses and attach their receipts to it. Completed tickets may be dropped off at Noggin Factory, My Country Story, or Ryder Street Co. located downtown. Mayor Robert Carrier will choose the winners at a drawing held at 6 p.m. on Dec. 21 at Ryder Street Co. It will be broadcast live on the store's Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/Ryderstreetco>.



“There are so many shops in Dover that many shoppers don’t realize exist,” said My Country Story owner Roni Watkins. “You can walk downtown and get a gift for anyone on your list: your Mom or Dad, a cousin who is having a baby, grandparents, teens and tweens, even for your pups.”

A complete list of participating retail shops, including a map of each location, is available via the PocketSights website: <https://pocketsights.com/tours/tour/Dover-Dover-Holiday-Shop-Small-Spectacular%21-6403>. PocketSights also offers a smartphone app that provides a walking tour of the participating locations.

“We are very excited to announce this new way to find all of our downtown retailers,” said City of Dover Deputy Director of Economic Development Reid Amy of PocketSights. “Shoppers can simply download the free app and search ‘Dover Holiday Shop Small Spectacular.’ They can follow the tour downtown and seek out any of our 27 retail shops. It’s that easy.”

Download the free app available for iPhone and Android at <https://pocketsights.com/>.

Support local merchants on Plaid Friday and Shop Small Saturday

Show your support for the local merchants who help Dover thrive by shopping local this holiday season.

Many Dover businesses are participating in Plaid Friday, Nov. 26, and Small Business Saturday on Saturday, Nov. 27.

Plaid Friday is an alternative to Black Friday and encourages people to do their holiday shopping with locally owned and independent businesses. Small Business Saturday is held on the Saturday after Thanksgiving during one of the busiest shopping periods of the year.

Check out plenty of special offers from local merchants on these special dates, and throughout the holiday season.

Road closures and traffic restrictions in place for Thanksgiving Day race

Dover Police Chief William M. Breault announces the following road closures and parking restrictions for the Dover Turkey Trot 5K run/walk event, organized by and benefiting the Garrison Elementary School PTA. More information is available at <http://www.doverturkeytrot.com/>. This is the final race of the 2021 Dover Race Series.



On Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 25, 2021 at 8:30 a.m., Shaws Lane will be closed in both directions between Garrison Road and Tideview Drive, for a period of approximately 15 minutes to accommodate the start of the race (8:20 to 8:35 a.m.). Garrison Road will be closed in the westerly direction at Morningside Drive from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., with traffic diverted through the Morningside neighborhood.

Between 8:30 and 9:30 a.m., motorists should expect additional delays in the following locations:

- Back River Road and Garrison Road
- Garrison Road and Shaws Lane
- Back River Road and Spruce Lane
- Mast Road and Spruce Lane
- Linda Avenue, Riverdale Avenue and Morningside Drive

Parking restrictions will be posted on Shaws Lane to be effective on the day of the event. Event parking will be available in the lots adjacent to the Shaws Lane parking lot, the upper field parking near Garrison and Back River roads, and in the Morningside Drive, Meridian Drive and Shadow Drive neighborhoods.

For more information about traffic, contact the Traffic Bureau at 742-4646.



Dover Police to begin accepting names for Christmas Basket Program Nov. 29

The Dover Police Department will begin accepting names, addresses and phone numbers of needy families residing in Dover for the Annual Christmas Basket Program on Monday, Nov. 29, 2021. Each December, the Police Department employees conduct this program through Dover Police Charities to provide a Christmas dinner to families in Dover.

Last year, 125 baskets of food were distributed to families throughout the community. In addition, a large quantity of food was provided to the Dover Children's Home and My Friend's Place.

The Police Department employees seek community donations to make this program a success. Non-perishable food items, canned goods, or monetary donations will be accepted at the Dover Police Department, 46 Chestnut St. (Please make checks payable to Dover Police Charities.) If you cannot arrange delivery of donated food to the police station, call 603-742-4646 to arrange pickup.

Employees of the Dover Police Department will prepare and deliver the baskets on Saturday, Dec. 18, 2021. The delivery will once again be contact-free. Employees making the deliveries will leave the baskets outside the recipient's home and contact them by phone. At this time, no volunteers are requested.

For more information, contact the Dover Police Department at 603-742-4646.

BE INFORMED

**Sign up for
parking ban
alerts today**

Text DoverNH to 99411 to receive parking ban alerts

Sign up for text alerts at bit.ly/dovercodered

Sign up for e-mail alerts at bit.ly/doverdownload

Current ban status: bit.ly/doverban or 516-PARK



CodeRED™

Be prepared, sign-up for parking ban alerts

Parking Manager Bill Simons reminds City of Dover drivers to sign-up for parking ban alerts ahead of the upcoming winter season.

Users can receive text and/or email alerts if a winter parking ban is declared, which requires the removal of all vehicles from public ways to allow street and sidewalk plowing. To receive text alerts, visit <https://bit.ly/dovercodered>, or text "DoverNH" to 99411 from your phone. To receive email alerts, visit <https://bit.ly/doverdownload>.

'As-needed' winter parking bans

During winter storm events or post-storm cleanups, the Community Services Director may declare a winter parking ban to allow crews to clear roads efficiently. When a parking ban is declared, all vehicles must be off public ways by the time the ban goes into effect. If vehicles are not removed, they may be ticketed and/or towed.

Most residents know not to park on the roads when there is an active storm. "People get it," said Parking Manager Bill Simons.

However, Community Services struggles with compliance with parking bans for post-storm cleanups when crews remove high snow banks or push snow back, so streets and sidewalks are passable and ready for the next storm.

"Ninety-five percent of parking tickets for winter parking ban violations come on cleanup nights," Simons said. "The goal is not to give out any tickets or have any cars towed and let Community Services do their job."

A parking ticket is \$50. A tow is likely to be above \$150.

Unless a parking ban is declared, vehicles may be parked on the street except for areas covered by the seasonal winter parking restrictions.

When a winter parking is declared

A parking ban will be declared by 3 p.m. to begin at a designated time later that evening. When a ban is declared, parking is prohibited on city streets, sidewalks and adjacent parking areas, such as the angled spaces on School or First streets. Vehicles must be parked on private property, at an authorized public parking lot, or the parking garage. Vehicles that violate the parking ban may be ticketed and towed at the vehicle owner's expense.

Apartment building owners are encouraged to alert all tenants about announced parking bans.

The parking ban for the downtown area typically starts later than all other parts of the city. [Click here](#) for the downtown parking ban map.

Many options to receive parking ban notifications

The City of Dover utilizes its website, social media accounts, Channel 22, text and email alerts, and press releases to local news media to notify residents about parking bans. The current ban status is always posted at <https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/city-operations/police/parking-bureau/parking-bans.html>. People can also call 603-516-PARK (7275) to check the parking ban status.

For email notifications, visit <https://bit.ly/dovernewsletters> and select the "Parking Ban Alerts" option. For text-based notifications via the City of Dover's emergency notification system, CodeRED, sign-up by texting "DoverNH" to 99411. Please note that cellular phone carrier and/or text message fees may apply.

Text alerts are also available by creating an account and logging into the city's emergency notification system, [CodeRED](#). After creating an account, select the option for Parking Ban Notifications under "Additional Notifications." Users must provide a phone number capable of receiving text alerts. Cellular phone carrier and/or text message fees may apply.

Users should receive a confirmation email or text after a successful sign-up. If not, call the City of Dover's Media Services at 603-516-1641 for assistance.

Where to park during a parking ban?

Some public parking lots have areas available for overnight parking. [Click here](#) to view a map of municipal parking lot locations in the downtown area. The Orchard Street Parking Garage has limited short-term spaces and is for "Permit Parking Only" above the second floor (look for signs). Overnight parking is available in spaces 101-278 for \$1/hr. Paid parking in the garage is 24/7, including holidays. Users may pay for parking or extend parking time through the smartphone "[Flowbird parking](#)" application. Users must know the number of the space where the vehicle is parked.

Seasonal winter parking restrictions

In addition to winter parking bans that can be called at any time, there are several streets where seasonal winter parking restrictions are in place from Dec. 1 to April 1, regardless of the current weather conditions. These streets, listed below, do not allow parking at any time, day or night, between Dec. 1 and April 1.

The following streets are included in the seasonal winter parking restrictions:

- Baker Street, no parking on northerly side (odd numbered)
- Belknap Street, no parking on the westerly side (odd numbered), from Washington Street to Silver Street
- Belknap Street, no parking on the easterly side (even numbered), from Silver Street to

- Fisher Street
- Cushing Street, no parking on the easterly side (even numbered)
- Everett Street, no parking on the westerly side (odd numbered)
- Elm Street, no parking on the westerly side (odd numbered)
- Essex Street, no parking on the southwesterly side (even numbered)
- Everett Street, no parking on the westerly side (odd numbered)
- Fifth Street, no parking on the northerly side (odd numbered), from Chestnut Street to Grove Street
- Fifth Street, no parking on the southerly side (even numbered), between Grove Street and Tammany Park
- Folsom Street, no parking on the southerly side (even numbered)
- Forest Street, no parking on the northwesterly side (even numbered)
- Fourth Street, no parking on the southerly side (even numbered), from Chestnut Street to Grove Street
- Hamilton Street, no parking on the northerly side (odd numbered)
- Hancock Street, no parking on the southwesterly side (even numbered)
- High Ridge Drive, no parking on southerly side
- Lexington Street, no parking on the easterly side (even numbered)
- Lincoln Street, no parking on the southerly side (even numbered), from Chestnut Street to Grove Street
- Nelson Street, no parking on the southerly side (even numbered), from Locust Street to Atkinson Street
- Plaza Drive, no parking on easterly side (even numbered), from Norway Circle northerly to end of street
- Richmond Street, no parking on the westerly side (odd numbered)
- Rogers Street, no parking on the southwesterly side (even numbered)
- Saint Thomas Street, no parking on the northerly side (odd numbered), from Atkinson Street to Belknap Street, and two spaces in front of 33/35 Saint Thomas Street
- Summer Street, no parking on the southerly side (even numbered)
- Third Street, no parking on the southerly side (even numbered), from Chestnut Street to Grove Street
- West Concord Street, no parking on the northerly side (odd numbered)
- Young Street, no parking on the southerly side.

When a parking ban is declared, both sides of the listed streets are restricted, as are all other city streets.

Central Avenue water to begin individual connections

The installation of the new 16-inch water for the Central Avenue North Water Improvements project is complete. Next week, the contractor will begin connecting individual properties to the new water main. The work will continue to impact traffic, with detours and flaggers alternating traffic.

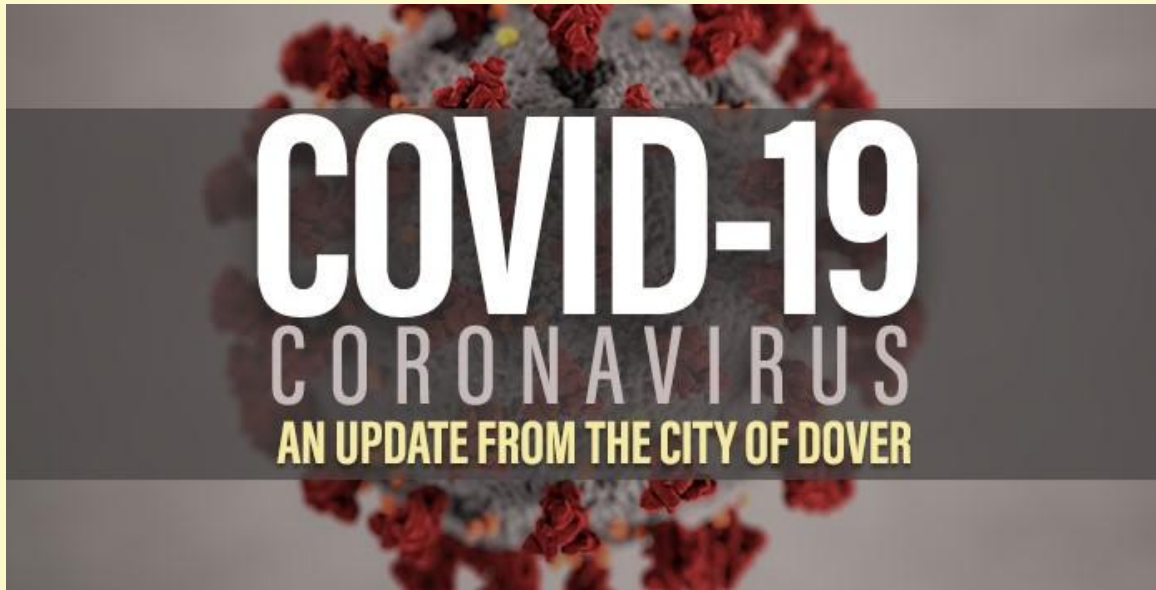
The individual water connections will begin on Central Avenue near Old Rollinsford Road. When work starts, southbound Central Avenue motorists should anticipate a detour around the project via Lowell Street, Mount Vernon Street, and Ash Street. Northbound Central Avenue traffic will proceed through the work area; drivers should anticipate lane shifts. The contractor will work Monday through Wednesday next week. No work will occur on Thanksgiving or the day after.

Community Services Director Bill Boulanger is reaching out to residents and businesses to schedule water connections. The connections will require the water to be shut off for brief periods to individual water users when the service is connected. Contact Boulanger at 603-516-6450 or b.boulanger@dover.nh.gov.

The City of Dover provides frequent email updates about the project to help residents and businesses plan for disruption along Central Avenue. To sign-up for these updates, visit <https://bit.ly/dovernewsletters>, add "Project update: Central Avenue North Water Improvements Project" to your current email subscription list.

There is also a dedicated project page at <https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/city->

For information about the project, contact Community Services at 603-516-6450.



Dover schools hold vaccine clinics at public elementary schools, Dover Middle School

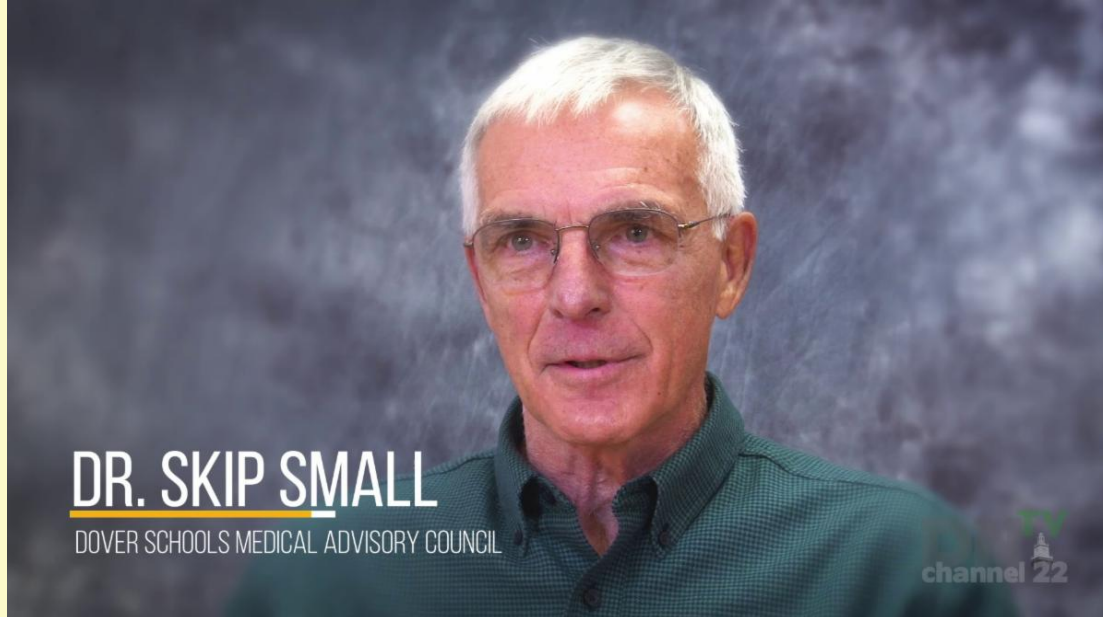
The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) now recommends everyone ages 5 and older get a COVID-19 vaccine to help protect against COVID-19. Children ages 5 years and older are able to get an age-appropriate dose of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine.

To help distribute the vaccine to children in this age group, Dover's public elementary schools and Dover Middle School held vaccination clinics this week. Dover Fire and Rescue was on hand to administer the vaccines.

Widespread vaccination for COVID-19 is a critical tool to best protect everyone, especially those at highest risk, from severe illness and death. People who are fully vaccinated can safely resume many activities that they did prior to the pandemic.

For more information about the vaccination clinics, contact your child's school or visit <https://www.dover.k12.nh.us/>.

For more information about vaccinations, visit the [CDC website here](#).



Why vaccinations for children are important

In a recent video update, local and school officials discuss the current status of COVID-19 in Dover and Strafford County, and how the vaccine remains an important tool to combat COVID-19.

In the video, Dr. Skip Small, a retired pediatrician and member of the Dover Schools Medical Advisory Council, explains to parents how the vaccine works, why it's safe and effective, and how it benefits the entire community.

The [video can be viewed here](#) or by clicking the image above.

Who is eligible for a COVID-19 booster shot?

Certain people are now eligible to receive a COVID-19 booster shot, including those who received Moderna and Johnson & Johnson/Janssen COVID-19 vaccines. Eligible individuals may choose which vaccine they receive as a booster dose. CDC's recommendations now allow for this type of mix and match dosing for booster shots.

For individuals who received a Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine, the following groups are eligible for a booster shot at 6 months or more after their initial series:

- 65 years and older
- Age 18+ who live in [long-term care settings](#)
- Age 18+ who have [underlying medical conditions](#)
- Age 18+ who work or live in [high-risk settings](#)

For the nearly 15 million people who got the Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine, booster shots are also recommended for those who are 18 and older and who were vaccinated two or more months ago.

Additional populations may be recommended to receive a booster shot as more data become available.

To learn more, visit the CDC here: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/booster-shot.html>.

Still need the vaccine? Plenty of options locally

Vaccines are available at most local pharmacies, including walk-in service at some. To schedule an appointment, visit vaccines.nh.gov and click on "Find COVID-19 Vaccines". The link will bring you to the national site where you can search for vaccines by zip code and vaccine type.

Currently, in Dover, vaccines are offered at the following locations:

ConvenientMD (walk-in)

14 Webb Place, Dover
603-742-7900
8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Vaccines offered: Pfizer

Walgreens (schedule online)

1 Glenwood Ave, Dover
603-749-4136
8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., 2 to 8 p.m.
Vaccines offered: Pfizer, Moderna, J&J

Hannaford (walk-in or schedule online)

833 Central Ave, Dover
603-749-9363
Weekends: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Weekdays, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Vaccines offered: Pfizer, Moderna, J&J

CVS (schedule online)

50 Sterling Way, Dover
9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
603-742-3995
Vaccines offered: Pfizer, Moderna, J&J

For additional locations and options, visit vaccines.gov.

Holiday celebrations

There are several ways to enjoy holiday traditions and protect your health. Because many generations tend to gather to celebrate holidays, the best way to minimize COVID-19 risk and keep your family and friends safer is to get vaccinated if you're eligible.



Safer holiday tips include:

- Wear a mask in public indoor settings if you are not fully vaccinated, have a weakened immune system, or if you are in an area with substantial to high transmission.
- Avoid crowded, poorly ventilated spaces.
- If you are sick or have symptoms, don't host or attend gatherings.
- Delay travel until you are fully vaccinated. If you are considering traveling for a holiday or event, visit CDC's [Travel](#) page to help you decide what is best for you and your family.
- Get [tested](#) if you have symptoms of COVID-19 or have a close contact with someone who has COVID-19.

To learn more, visit the CDC here: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays/celebrations.html>

COVID symptoms or need to confirm you aren't infected? Get tested

Many health insurance plans cover COVID-19 tests without a copay, coinsurance, or deductible for persons with symptoms of COVID-19. Locations throughout the state offer COVID-19 tests, including hospitals, pharmacies, primary care offices, urgent care centers.

Tests for active COVID-19 disease are available in locations across New Hampshire and include both the polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test and the rapid antigen test. The PCR test is for persons with or without symptoms of COVID-19. The rapid antigen test is for persons with symptoms and within a specific timeframe after onset of symptoms.

The federal government has contracted with Walgreens and Rite Aid pharmacies to offer COVID-19 tests at no additional costs for persons without insurance with symptoms of COVID-19. Visit the website of these pharmacies or contact your local Walgreens or Rite Aid pharmacy to learn more about their free testing program.

Persons who do not have insurance or have a health insurance plan that does not fully cover the cost of tests may also have testing paid for by a New Hampshire Limited COVID-19 Testing Benefit. To apply online for the Testing Benefit, please visit NH EASY at <https://nheasy.nh.gov> and click on "COVID-19 Testing". Additional information about other DHHS programs and benefits, including different Medicaid plans that cover more than COVID-19 testing services, are on the NH EASY website.

Dover area COVID-19 testing locations:

CVS (Ages 3 and up)

50 Sterling Way, Dover

Type of test: PCR

<https://cvs.com/minuteclinic/covid-19-testing>

Rite Aid (Ages 4 and up)

679 Central Avenue only, Dover

Type of test: PCR

<https://riteaid.com/pharmacy/services/covid-19-testing>

ConvenientMD

14 Webb Place, Dover

Type of test: PCR

<https://convenientmd.com/covid-19-testing/>

Walgreens (ages 3 and up)

1 Glenwood Ave., Dover

Type of test: PCR and Rapid

https://walgreens.com/findcare/covid19/testing?ban=covid_vanity_testing

Quest Diagnostics (Ages 2 and up)

311 Route 108, Somersworth (inside Goodwin Health Center)

5 Clark Way, Somersworth

Type of test: Rapid

https://patient.questdiagnostics.com/no-cost-covid-test?utm_campaign=2021-5-CIIP-CIIP-Consumers&utm_medium=Vanity&utm_source=QuestCOVID19-com&utm_term=Paid-Owned

Wentworth-Douglass Hospital

789 Central Ave., Dover

Type of test: PCR

Scheduled through affiliated PCP only

ClearChoiceMD Urgent Care

Fox Run Mall, 50 Fox Run Road, Newington

Type of test: PCR

<https://ccmdcenters.com/coronavirus2019>

SHOW THANKFULNESS BY FEEDING THOSE IN NEED

GARRISON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Thanksgiving FOOD DRIVE

FOOD ITEMS WILL BE COLLECTED FROM
NOVEMBER 9 - NOVEMBER 23

CAN WE FILL ALL 75 MOVING BOXES?

Food drive to benefit End 68 Hours of Hunger

MOST NEEDED ITEMS:

Peanut Butter – 18 oz plastic, Pudding Cups – 4 pack, Saltines / Graham Crackers, Canned Beef Stew, Canned Pasta – Beefaroni, Ravioli, Canned Soup – 12-20 oz size, Hormel Complete Meals, Macaroni and Cheese, Fruit Cups – 4 pack, Granola Bars/Nutrition Bars, Instant Flavored Rice or Noodles, Instant Flavored Potatoes, Tuna or Chicken or Pulled Pork – 10 oz or smaller, Instant Oatmeal individual packets

Upcoming Meetings:

Stormwater and Flood Resilience Funding Study Committee, November 22, 5:30 p.m.

The Stormwater and Flood Resilience Funding Study

Committee will meet for a regular meeting on Monday, Nov. 22, 2021, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in the City Council Conference Room at City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

Waterfront TIF Advisory Board, November 23, 5:30 p.m.

The Waterfront TIF Advisory Board will meet for a regular meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 23, 2021, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Conference Room at City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

For a complete list of upcoming meetings, visit <https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/open-government/public-meetings/>.



Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

Don't forget: If you missed the live City Council, School Board or Planning Board meetings on Channels 22 and 95, you can catch them again, online and on demand.

Simply visit www.dovernh.viebit.com to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.



Did you know property taxes and utility bills can now be paid online? Simply use the "Pay My Bill" button on the homepage of the City's website to pay property taxes, utility bills and miscellaneous bills via credit card or by electronic check.

Learn more: <https://www.dover.nh.gov/services/online-services/payment/>



The following events are recorded in "Notable Events in the History of Dover, New Hampshire: From the First Settlement in 1623 to 1865," by George Wadleigh, and several other historical sources.

For more on the history of Dover, settled in 1623 and the oldest European permanent settlement in New Hampshire and seventh oldest in the country, visit the Dover Public Library, Locust Street; and the Woodman Museum, Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information, [located here](#).

Nov. 22, 1824 — The town voted to give \$5,000 towards the building of a new stone jail

provided the same should be erected in Dover.

Nov. 19, 1856 — Two young men, George S. Clark, aged 26, and John Foss, aged 23, were killed by the premature discharge of a cannon which they were firing on Garrison Hill, to celebrate the election of President Buchanan.

Nov. 20, 1920 — The Hotel Leighton on Third Street advertises a Thanksgiving dinner for \$1, beginning at noon on Thanksgiving. Among the dishes served are Consomme Britaniere Royal, Roast Stuffed Vermont Turkey, Roast Stuffed Chicken with Giblet Gravy, Fried Fillet of Sole, Green Apple Fritters, and a wide variety of soups and sides.

Nov. 20, 1930 — The keys to the new National Guard Armory in Dover were turned over to Battery B. It was formally opened to the public on Nov. 25.

Nov. 18, 2001 — More than 100 members of the congregation of the St. George Maronite Catholic Church commemorated its 53rd anniversary on this day, joined by then Gov. Jeanne Shaheen and her husband, Bill, and Alex Nossiff, who had weeks before been elected mayor. The St. George Maronite Society was founded in 1939 and made up of about 50 members, according to the history of the parish. In 1941, the society purchased Lothrop Memorial Hall, the former gymnasium for the city of Dover, and renovated it into the present church. In 1948, the Rev. Roukas Najjar was appointed the first Maronite priest for the church.

Nov. 21, 2001 — The Dover City Council approved a resolution formally dedicating the Dover Transportation Station to former downtown mills owner and train aficionado Joseph Sawtelle, recognizing his contributions to the local economy and numerous charitable organizations. Sawtelle, who died in 2000, donated the land where the train station now sits. He was also responsible for the rehabilitation of more than 700,000 square feet of mill space into office space, adding more than 1,700 jobs in Dover.

International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day planned at Dover High School November 20

Each year, the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP) supports hundreds of large and small Survivor Day events around the world, in which suicide loss survivors come together to find connection, understanding and hope through their shared experience. While each event is unique and offers various programming, all feature an AFSP-produced documentary that offers a message of growth, resilience and connection.

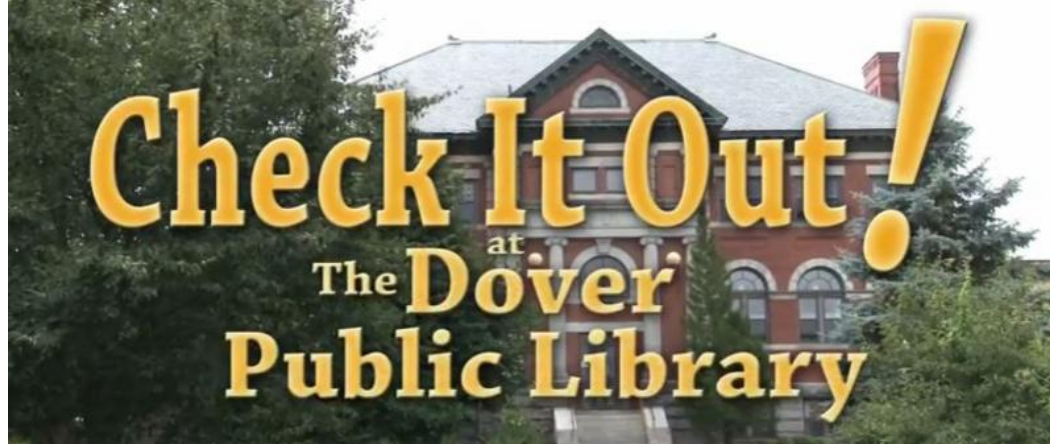
One of these events, International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day, will be held at Dover High School on Saturday, Nov. 20, 2021, from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The event will be held in the high school's Town Square.

Masks are required at the event and will be provided to those without one. Snacks and beverages will be provided.

The event is free to attend but registration is required. Register at <https://isosld.afsp.org/dover-new-hampshire/>.

Event supporters include Dover Mental Health Alliance, the Dover School District, Durham SOSL Support Group, and New Hampshire chapter of the AFSP.

For more information, contact Amy Oliva at sosldurhamnh@gmail.com or (603) 285-3919.



The Week at the Library

November VIRTUAL Cookbook Club

Join us for a virtual exploration of *Everyone Can Bake* by Dominique Ansel. Throughout the month of November, send in pictures of your dishes created with recipes from the books and a small description of your cooking process, how you felt about the recipe, and/or your thoughts on the books. Copies of the book will be available to check out at the main circulation desk. We will share your creations on our social media pages. Photos can be sent to Emily at e.fortin@dover.nh.gov, or tag us on Instagram @doverpubliclibrary.

Monday, November 22, 10 to 10:45 a.m.

Beyond Books: Program Science

"Beyond Books: A Preschool Discovery Program" is for children ages 3-5. Each session will focus on a different subject. Register for this Monday series to learn about science. We will start with books, then go beyond with hands-on activities to explore the topic further.

Monday, November 22, 4 to 4:45 p.m.

I Will Dance

Families are invited to Join dance educator Sarah Duclos in a lively exploration of *I Will*

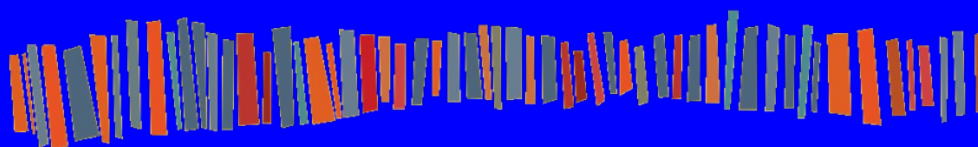
Dance by Nancy Bo Flood. This interactive workshop will include a reading of *I Will Dance*, opportunities to discover WHY people dance and it will wrap up with movement activities inspired by the book. Participants will learn how to pass the energy, mirror and dance over, under and around!

Tuesday, November 23, 6 to 8 p.m.

Dungeons & Dragons: 18+

Drop in and play Dungeons & Dragons with Game Master Dave. This 18 & older group is for new and veteran role-playing gamers to join us in the library for two hours of adventure, imagination, and strategy. The group will meet every Tuesday night, though you do not need to have attended previous sessions to enjoy your first game. No experience or materials are required and all skill levels are welcome to play.

Thursday, November 25 through Friday,
November 26, Library Closed
Thanksgiving Holiday





It's Family Literacy Month (<https://childrens-museum.org/things-to-do/events/family-literacy-month>) at the Children's Museum of NH and that means lots of book-themed activities, challenges, scavenger hunts, and special guests! Admission is \$11 per person for everyone over 12 months of age; Seniors 65+ are \$9; Members and children 12 months and younger are free. Online reservations and pre-payment are required for visiting the museum. Masks for everyone over the age of 24 months is required, regardless of vaccination status. Hours are Tuesdays through Saturdays, 9 a.m. to noon or 1 to 4 p.m., Sundays 9 a.m. to noon. The museum is closed on Mondays, and for one hour between each morning and afternoon play session: <https://childrens-museum.org/visit/info>

Storyteller Simon Brooks

Saturday, Nov. 20, 9:45 a.m. and 11 a.m.
Included with Museum admission. Online reservations required: <https://childrens-museum.org/things-to-do/events/family-literacy-month>



Wee Ones Wednesdays for ages 2-4

Wednesdays, November 17, December 1, 8, or 15
9:15-10 a.m.

Price does not include Museum Admission: Child \$11 (\$8 for Members); Additional Children (if participating in crafts & is a sibling) \$8 (\$5 for Members). Discount cards for multiple classes available for Members only.

Online reservations required: <https://childrens-museum.org/things-to-do/programs/early-learning>

Jingle Bell Extravaganza at the Children's Museum of NH

Explore the exhibits, enjoy holiday crafts and activities, and meet Santa!

Sunday, Dec. 5, 1 to 2:30 p.m. or 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 12, 1 to 2:30 p.m. or 3-4:30 p.m.

Price includes museum admission: \$15 for Members or \$20 for Non-members per person and children under 12 months of age are free.

Tickets on sale now: <https://childrens-museum.org/things-to-do/events/jingle-bell-express>

Family New Year's Eve Celebration

Friday, Dec. 31, 9 a.m. to noon
Friday, Dec. 31, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Included with Museum admission. Online reservations required: <https://childrens-museum.org/things-to-do/events/family-new-years-eve-celebration>

CMNH Membership Black Friday - Cyber Monday special

If you purchase a CMNH Membership (of any level) any time from Black Friday (11/26) through Cyber Monday (11/29) we'll automatically gift you a FREE guest option (worth \$20). The guest option can be used to bring along a different friend, parent, or grandparent every time you visit the museum, for FREE. It's a great addition to any level of CMNH

Membership: <https://childrens-museum.org/membership/families>
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City of Dover employment opportunities

Want to work for the City of Dover? The City's website offers an updated list of open positions, including job descriptions and a downloadable application for employment.

The City of Dover is now seeking applications the following positions:

- **Assistant City Engineer**
- **Maintenance Specialist I**
- **Assistant City Planner/Zoning Administrator**
- **Outreach and Strategic Planner**
- **Police Social Worker**
- **Police Officer**
- **Public Safety Dispatcher**
- **Prevention Programmer**
- **Arena Attendant**

For more information about these positions or employment opportunities with the City of Dover, [click here](#).

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