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CLERK OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE
WORCESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS
20 IRVING STREET
WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS 01609

AGENDA #25

The School Committee will hold a meeting:

on: Wednesday, August 11, 2021

at: Regular Session 4:30 p.m.

Executive Session 5:00 p.m.

Virtually in: Esther Howland South Chamber at City Hall

ORDER OF BUSINESS

ACTION

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- INVOCATION - NONE
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/NATIONAL ANTHEM
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. APPROVAL OF RECORDS - NONE
- IV. MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION - NONE
- V. IMMEDIATE ACTION - NONE
- VI. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT - NONE
- VII. COMMUNICATION AND PETITION - NONE
- VIII. REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES - NONE
- IX. PERSONNEL - NONE
- X. GENERAL BUSINESS -NONE

qb #1-200 - Administration
(August 4, 2021)

Discuss and file

To consider an update on COVID-19 to include a discussion on masks and vaccinations.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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Discuss

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EXECUTIVE SESSION (continued)

ACTION

To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel – Superintendent of Schools.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Helen A. Friel, Ed.D.
Clerk of the School Committee

X. GENERAL BUSINESS
Administration
(August 4, 2021)

ITEM - gb #1-200
S.C. MEETING - 8-11-21

ITEM:

To consider an update on COVID-19 to include a discussion on masks and vaccinations.

PRIOR ACTION:

BACKUP:

Annex A (10 pages) contains a copy of the PowerPoint presentation.

RECOMMENDATION OF MAKER:

RECOMMENDATION OF ADMINISTRATION:

Discuss and file.



Covid-19 Vaccine Update

August 10, 2021

Department of Health and Human Services

Commissioner Dr. Matilde Castiel

Domenica Perrone, Project Manager

Data Source: Massachusetts Department of Public Health: Covid-19 Vaccine Equity Initiative. 8/3/21. Mass.gov. "COVID-19 Vaccine Equity Initiative: Community-specific vaccination data." <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-vaccine-equity-initiative-community-specific-vaccination-data#community-specific-vaccination-data-dashboard>

Worcester Vaccination Rates as of 8/5/21: 61% At Least First Dose and 53% Fully Vaccinated

Town	Age Group	Individuals with at least one dose	Individuals with at least one dose per capita	Fully vaccinated individuals	Fully vaccinated individuals per capita
Worcester	12-15 Years	4,363	47%	3,145	34%
Worcester	16-19 Years	5,976	47%	4,853	38%
Worcester	20-29 Years	18,867	52%	16,171	45%
Worcester	30-49 Years	35,605	73%	30,929	63%
Worcester	50-64 Years	28,679	88%	25,540	78%
Worcester	65-74 Years	13,762	>95%	12,545	89%
Worcester	75+ Years	9,572	94%	8,699	85%
Worcester	Total	116,840	61%	101,884	53%

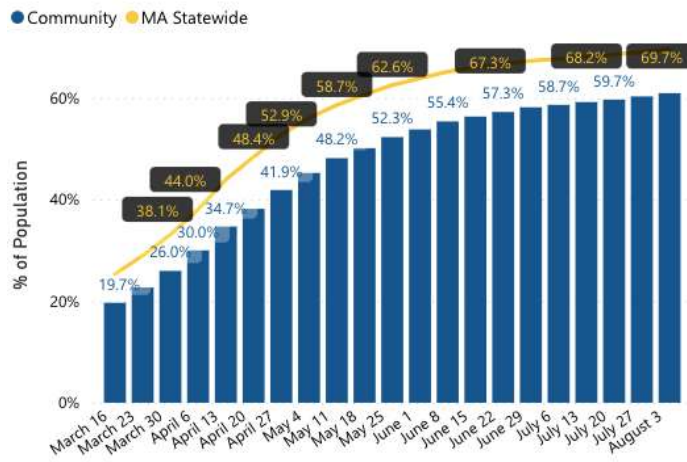
1,248 increase since last week for at least one dose (increase was **1,194** last week)

890 increase since last week for fully vaccinated (increase was **1,005** last week)

Vaccination trends have plateaued with vaccine hesitant population

- **Worcester:** 61% First Dose and 53% Fully Vaccinated
- **MA:** 70% First Dose and 63% Fully Vaccinated

Percent of population received First Dose, Worcester



Percent of population Fully Vaccinated, Worcester



An accessibility review of the dashboard conducted by the Executive Office of Technology Services and Security (EOTTS) is currently ongoing and DPH is implementing the required accessibility enhancements as they are identified.

Data current as of 8/3/2021

Worcester vs.
State: %
Population
Vaccinated by
at LEAST one
dose

	Worcester	Massachusetts
12-15 yo	46.9%	61.1%
16-19 yo	46.7%	66.1%
20-29 yo	52%	68%
30-49 yo	72.7%	79.7%
50-64 yo	87.8%	86.6%
65-74 yo	98.1%	93.7%
75+ yo	93.8%	91.5%

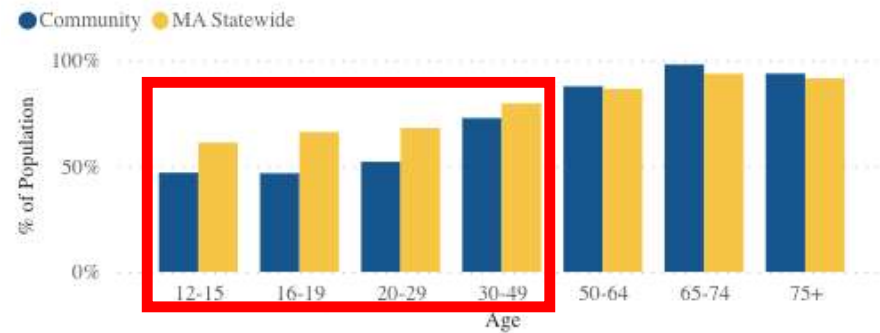
Worcester vs.
State: %
Population
FULLY
Vaccinated

	Worcester	Massachusetts
12-15 yo	33.8%	49.6%
16-19 yo	37.9%	56.8%
20-29 yo	44.6%	59.8%
30-49 yo	63.2%	72%
50-64 yo	78.2%	79.5%
65-74 yo	89.4%	86.8%
75+ yo	85.3%	83.4%

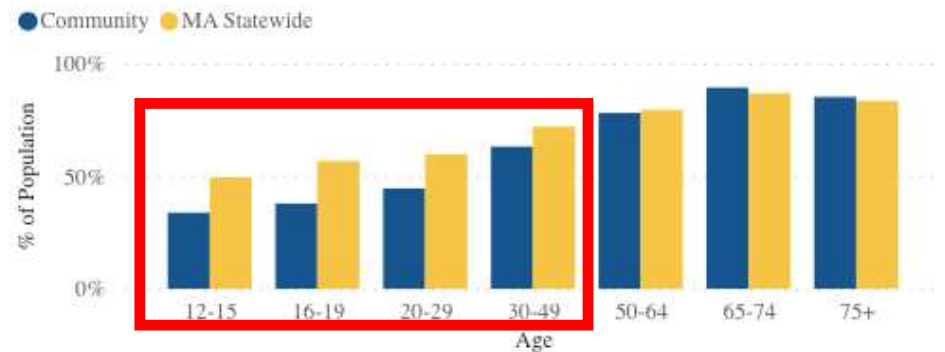
Worcester vs. State: Vaccination % by Age Group

(MDPH 8/3/21)

**Percent of Age Groups that are Vaccinated as of 8/3/2021 |
First Dose, Worcester**




**Percent of Age Groups that are Vaccinated as of 8/3/2021 |
Fully Vaccinated, Worcester**



Worcester vs. State: % Population Vaccinated by
at LEAST one dose

	Worcester	Massachusetts
Asian	65.9%	68.9%
Black	45.1%	53.8%
Hispanic	44.7%	51.9%
White	63.7%	65.6%

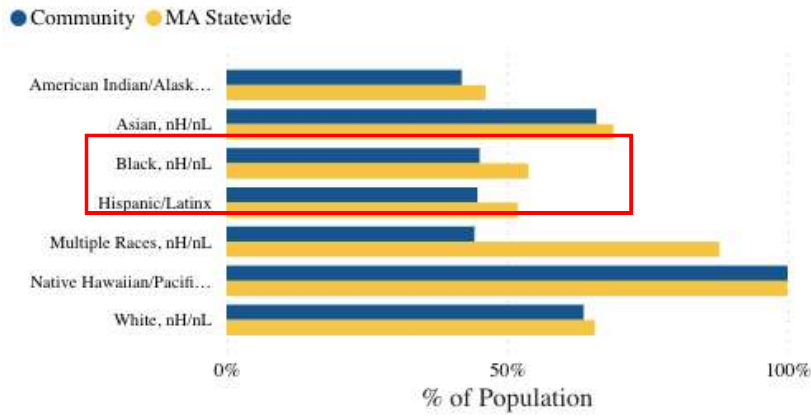


Worcester vs. State: % Population **FULLY** Vaccinated

	Worcester	Massachusetts
Asian	58%	63.3%
Black	37.6%	46.7%
Hispanic	36.9%	45%
White	58.1%	60.5%

(MDPH 8/3/21)

Percent of Race/Ethnicity Groups that are Vaccinated as of 8/3/2021 | First Dose, Worcester



Percent of Race/Ethnicity Groups that are Vaccinated as of 8/3/2021 | Fully Vaccinated, Worcester



For First Doses and Fully Vaccinated, Black and Hispanic Populations remain the lowest vaccinated groups in Worcester and across State

(MDPH 8/3/21)

For **Eligible** Population by Race/ Ethnicity

(MDPH 8/5/21)

	Eligible Pop.	Dose 1 of Eligible Pop.	Fully Vaccinated of Eligible Pop.
Total Pop.	86%	71%	62%
Asian	88%	75%	66%
Black	80%	56%	47%
Hispanic	78%	57%	47%
White	92%	71%	63%

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