

## NEW! COVID SERVICE Metrics Updated (effective 9/7/21)

New levels tied to CDC's levels of community transmission for Rensselaer County.


All 4 phases include high-demand, in-person library services such as: picking up and checking out material, browsing, computer use, copy/print/fax/scan/notary, seating, and in-person programming. Social distancing always recommended!

### Why?

We have been operating in a pandemic for more than 18 months now and have a much better understanding of the services our patrons want and how to deliver them in a way that is safer for everyone. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) now provides guidance on community transmission of COVID-19. Tying our services to CDC county transmission rates reflect that guidance and metrics.

<https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view>

The goal is to provide core services to patrons in person, even during times of higher COVID-19 transmission in our area.

Low Transmission	Moderate Transmission	Substantial Transmission	High Transmission:
Face Masks ✓ None	Face Masks ✓ Recommended	Face Masks ✓ Required Indoors	Face Masks ✓ Required Indoors
Suspended Services ✓ None	Suspended Services ✓ Limited indoor programming (75% max. room capacity) ✓ No outside group use of meeting rooms	Suspended Services ✓ Limited indoor programming (50% max. room capacity) ✓ No outside group use of meeting rooms ✓ Limited seating ✓ Restrooms Limited	Suspended Services ✓ Limited indoor programming (25% max. room capacity) ✓ No outside group use of meeting rooms ✓ Limited seating ✓ Restrooms Limited
			

COVID risk levels based on CDC's levels of community transmission for Rensselaer County

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