



December 11, 2020

Good afternoon. As the CDC continues to update COVID-19 guidelines, the Rutherford Health Department would like to remind you that if you think you've been exposed, wait 5-7 days after the possible exposure to get tested. Please quarantine while you await the test and the results. Drive-thru COVID testing is being offered frequently throughout the month of December at Bergen Community College's Paramus Campus. An appointment is required. Information is available on the Borough website. Travel restrictions have been updated. Please visit covid19.nj.gov for the most accurate information regarding restrictions.

Tomorrow, December 12th, the Rutherford Fire Department will take its annual tour with Santa throughout town during the day. This annual event operates independently of the Borough and is hosted solely by the Fire Department. Please direct any questions to chief@rutherfordfd.com. For families of uniquely abled individuals we hope this advance notice will allow you to prepare for these festive experiences across the Borough.

Listen for sirens as well on Sunday, December 13th, when we honor the RHS boys soccer team for winning the state championship with a drive-by caravan. I'd like to thank my colleague Tom Mullahey for organizing this caravan with the help of the High School Athletic Director David Frazier.

As you get ready for the holiday season, please continue to support our local businesses. Many of our businesses have gift card options which would be a thoughtful gift for family and friends. Another great way to safely experience our town during this holiday season is to check out the many beautifully decorated homes that have entered the Holiday House Decorating contest through the Rec Department. Thanks to BCB Bank, winners of this contest will receive gift cards to local businesses. A map of the homes can be found on the Rec Department's web page.

Don't forget to visit the Winter Wonderland in Lincoln Park, also organized by our Rec Department. 20 of Rutherford's non-profit organizations have unique and creative displays set up. Please also think of these organizations during this season of giving. Many of them were unable to host the usual fundraisers they require in order to give back to the community this year.

Sincerely,
Councilwoman
Maria Begg-Roberson