

## **COVID-19 Community Update regarding Will County**

Today, Sept. 18, Gov. Pritzker and the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) announced they are removing the more stringent COVID-19 mitigation measures that have been in place in Will County since late August.

At 5 p.m. today, the Will County portion of Naperville will return to Phase 4 of the Restore Illinois plan, which means indoor restaurant and bar service will resume, along with larger gathering sizes of up to 50 people. For details on what

Phase 4 of the Restore Illinois plan entails, please click here or view the summary graphic.

Enhanced mitigation efforts were imposed on Aug. 26 after Region 7, which includes Will and Kankakee counties, reported three consecutive days of rolling test positivity rates exceeding 8%. The threshold to lift these mitigations included three consecutive days of a rolling positivity rate below 6.5%, and today's rate of 5.6% met the three-day criteria to remove the restrictions.

"I want to thank every Naperville resident and visitor who took appropriate action to protect both lives and livelihoods," Mayor Steve Chirico said. "I ask everyone to continue to practice the 3Ws: WASHING your hands often, WATCHING your distance from others to prevent close contact, and WEARING your face covering when inside a public building or anytime you cannot maintain six feet of separation from those around you."

Following the 3Ws will help minimize the spread of COVID-19 in our community in the coming weeks and months.

