



## COMMUNITY CONNECTION

July 6, 2021 • 2:00 p.m.

The COVID Briefing has now transitioned to a weekly **COMMUNITY CONNECTION** and will continue to provide information of interest to the Fowler Family. Please prioritize Tuesday at 2pm and tune in to Channel 6 as a time of connection, community, and communication.

*The **COMMUNITY CONNECTION** is now posted on our website at:*

<https://fowlercommunities.org/community-connection/>

- **Good afternoon Fowler Family!**
- **COVID UPDATE:**
  - On July 2, Dallas County reported 154 new cases.
    - We had been averaging 100 in June, so this is a significant bump
  - All Dallas County residents (Both fully vaccinated and unvaccinated) are asked to help prevent spread of the virus by practicing these simple actions:
    - Avoid close contact with other people, especially those who are sick
    - Cover coughs and sneezes
    - Exercise hand hygiene
    - Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces
    - Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands
    - If you are sick, stay home.
  - For non-vaccinated people, you need to continue to do these things, *plus wear a mask*
  - A reminder: our team in PNCC is still wearing masks and if you enter PNCC, you must put on a mask for the entire time you are in the building
    - It is imperative that you wear your mask correctly
    - Over your nose and mouth always
    - Recently a family member traveled here to see their loved one, having not seen her mom for over a year, and she was met by two individuals who were not wearing their mask over their nose and mouth
    - In the words of this family member “this did not instill confidence in me that you are taking every precaution to care for my mom”
    - You only have one opportunity to make an impression – this impression will stay with this family member and we have unnecessarily made this family member feel uneasy
  - If you are considering travel outside of the United States, check your destination before you book any travel
    - Current travel advisories can be viewed at the U.S. Department of State and CDC. The CDC recommends that travelers defer all cruise travel worldwide

- **FOWLER UPDATES:**

- Dallas Police reported last week that it has been taking up to 13 seconds to answer a 911 call in the month of June
  - This is directly related to staffing shortages
  - Out of 110 call-takers, 26 positions are currently vacant
  - To resolve the issue, they have pulled staff from other areas temporarily
  - As a result, they have been able to return to an under 5 second response
  - We wanted to alert you in case you have a need to call 911 – stay on the line, your call will be answered
- We received another complaint over the weekend about speeding employees in the neighboring streets
  - As a result, a neighbor in the adjacent neighborhood has requested speed enforcement from the Dallas police department
  - **THE SPEED LIMIT ON THESE RESIDENTIAL STREETS IS 25 MILES PER HOUR – treat these streets like a school zone**
  - If you are stopped for a ticket and you are late clocking in, you will have a ticket to pay and you will have the consequences of being late to work
  - If you are speeding, you are not a positive representation of Fowler – you are not living our values to love people, pursue excellence and make a difference
  - You are a reflection of JFC on and off our campus and it is critical that we are good neighbors
  - Managers, please make this a topic of your team meetings so that we can impact all employees – our night staff and our weekend staff does not have the benefit of hearing these briefings at this time and it is important that all of our team honors the speed limit
- We are aware that the elevator is down in the F building – we are working with the repair company to get it fixed. We appreciate your patience.
- This week, we welcome a new hair stylist in Jackson Living Center
  - Thank you, John and Francis for introducing Kenneth to Fowler!
  - Kenneth has been a barber and hair stylist for over 35 years
  - He will be available this Wednesday and Thursday, 10am-5pm
  - Call Jackson front desk to make an appointment
- We also have a manicurist available on Tuesdays at Jackson
  - Call 972-322-0687 to make an appointment
- If you wish to receive Holy Communion from a Catholic Eucharistic Minister, please contact Chaplain Venessa so she can get you on the list when that resumes
- This week our team in Worth Memory care will be working toward their recertification for the I'm Still Here Center for Excellence in Dementia Care designation
  - We send our gratitude and prayers to this team for pursuing excellence
  - While our Worth Neighborhood is the only location at Fowler that receives the certification, Fowler has chosen to adopt the I'm Still Here philosophy of care community wide. The basic tenets of I'm Still Here are applicable for all of us:
    - You are an individual

- You have purpose
  - Creativity is within
  - Learning is essential
- Please keep these core concepts in mind as you live your life and impact the lives of those in your care
- **DATES TO REMEMBER**
  - Next Monday, 7/12 will be our quarterly Celebration of Life, at 2:30pm in the chapel. Residents who are lovingly remembered include:
    - Bobby
    - Helen
    - Twylia
    - Tom
    - John
- **RESIDENT BIRTHDAYS**
  - 7/6 Maxine (JLC)
  - 7/7 Sheila & Norma (FCA)
  - 7/8 Agnes (FCA), Wanda (JLC), & Ruth (PNCC)
  - 7/11 Chestine (FCA)
  - 7/12 Jane (FCA)
- **RESIDENT MOVE-IN ANNIVERSARIES:**
  - 2 Years- Elaine (JLC)
  - 3 Years – Wanda (FCA)
  - 6 Years – Bill (FCA)
- **TEAMMATE TUESDAY!**
  - Happy Birthday to Gentry Harper! Gentry's birthday is on the 9.
  - Happy 4-year anniversary to Regina Smith! Regina's anniversary was on the 5.
  - Coretta Whitaker's 4-year anniversary was also yesterday, July 5! Happy anniversary Coretta!
  - Nadine Wilson's 7-year anniversary is on the 9. Happy anniversary Nadine!
  - Erick Silva also has an anniversary on the 9. Happy 2-year anniversary, Eric!
  - Welcome to new teammate Sylvia Castaneda! Sylvia is our new EVS Manager. Sylvia most recently served at Prestonwood Rehab where she served as Housekeeping Director since 2016. Prior to that, she served at the Dallas Rehab and Wellness Center as Housekeeping Director. Sylvia has also served as Director of Housekeeping at Emeritus at Vickery Towers.
  - Welcome Angela Jemente! Angela will serve for us as A.L. Manager and Social Worker for Carroll. Angela just earned her Bachelor in Social Work from the University of Texas at Arlington. She recently completed an internship as COVID-19 Crisis Initiative Program through U.T. Arlington.
  - Welcome to Delfino Vazquez! Delfino joins the team to serve as part time server/ baker. He previously served as in car washing as well as landscaping. Delfino attends Woodrow Wilson High School.

- Malena received a shout out for making a difference! Malena spoke with someone concerning their interest in FCA. They shared, “Malena is a real delight! Thank her for speaking with me”.
- Shout out to Goldia McNeil for Making a Difference. A family member shared they always enjoy speaking with you when they come to visit.
- **Make it a great day on purpose!**

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**COVID-19 Mental Health Support Line 24 hours a day, 7 days a week toll-free at 833-986-1919**