



## COMMUNITY CONNECTION

July 13, 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. We hope you will 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!**

- Today, Nicole is in Austin at the capital
- She was asked to speak before a house subcommittee on human trafficking
- Unfortunately, that meeting was cancelled, and she is heading back however she did make some good connections while she was there
- We are grateful to have these opportunities to educate others about the needs of our community and we hope it will be rescheduled soon

- **COVID UPDATE:**

- Yesterday, Dallas County reported 186 new cases
- Last week, the Parkland Center for Clinical Innovation reported herd immunity had been achieved in Dallas County – meaning that 80% of the population in Dallas County had COVID anti-bodies – this accounts for those people who are vaccinated as well as those who have recovered from COVID-19
- But other infectious disease specialists are warning it is not over – hospitalization numbers are going up and if we had herd immunity, they would be going down
- Spencer Fox, the associate director of the UT COVID-19 Modeling Consortium, said the rising numbers mean two things:
  - There's not enough immunity in the population to prevent transmission
  - Anyone who hasn't gotten vaccinated yet, should
- Local and national data reflects that 99% of those hospitalized are not vaccinated
  - 98-99% of the Americans dying of the coronavirus are unvaccinated
- If you are not vaccinated and wish to become vaccinated, please let us know and we will facilitate that quickly at Fowler
- The risk of dying from COVID far outweighs any health risk from the vaccine

- **FOWLER UPDATES:**

- We have no new updates for our COVID protocols
- A reminder, if you have been vaccinated, you are not required to wear a mask in our non-licensed areas; if you have not been vaccinated, a mask is required
  - Residents and staff in our assisted living, skilled nursing and memory care are still wearing masks until further notice

- Guests are not allowed in our dining rooms or common spaces – this is for all of Fowler
  - You can reserve a common area for a family gathering
  - By reserving the space, you are notifying us that you plan to be with there with guests; this will require us to sanitize when your guests leave
  - We still have many restrictions that we must continue for the safety of all who live and work at Fowler
    - I know it feels like we should be back to the good old days of mingling and eating together, having full access to all buildings, but we aren't quite there yet
    - This is not a reflection of the Fowler Family, but simply a reflection of our concern for your health and wellbeing
- Last week our team in Worth Memory Care achieved recertification as an I'm Still Here Center for Excellence in Memory Care
  - Congratulations to this hard-working team!
- This Friday, we will resume foster parent training in person!
  - This training will be held in the Administration Center on Friday 1-10pm and Saturday, 9a-5pm
- Residents in FCA E Building, we have located the part to fix your elevator; repairmen will be here tonight to install the part
- The irrigation company will complete their assessment on Thursday
  - We look forward to receiving their report to learn what needs to be done and how much it will cost
- The lights in the parking lot have been evaluated and we know which ones need to be replaced.
  - We are switching to LED light bulbs which will provide brighter light and last longer
- Teammates, please remember to drive 25 miles per hour in the neighborhood streets – we have seen patrol cars monitoring traffic and speed
- And last but not least, when walking your dog, please use plastic bags to clean up after your pup and place the bag in an outdoor trashcan
- **RESIDENT BIRTHDAYS**
  - 7/14 Joseph & Beverly (FCA)
  - 7/16 Matteel (FCA)
  - 7/17 Karen (FCA)
  - 7/18 Sylvia (FCA) & Hazel (PNCC)
  - 7/19 Rutha (FCA) and Blanche (PNCC)
- **RESIDENT MOVE-IN ANNIVERSARIES:**
  - 1 Year – Dorian (FCA)
  - 2 Years – Adriana (FCA)
  - 6 Years – Candida (FCA)
  - 10 Years – Rick (FCA)
  - 20 Years –Lowell (FCA)
- **TEAMMATE TUESDAY:**

- Happy Birthday to Jenn Garland! Her birthday was July 11
- Wishing Derrick Brown a happy birthday. Derrick's birthday is today!
- Today is also Ronny Roberson's birthday! Happy birthday, Ronny!
- Joie' Thornton's birthday is tomorrow, July 14. Happy Birthday, Joie'.
- Wishing Valarie Gray a happy birthday! Valarie's birthday is July 15.
- Happy anniversary to Bryce Sproul! Bryce celebrates 3 years with us on July 16.
- Lisa Mumford pursued excellence when she ensured that furniture donations left by a family in the JLC portico were picked up and delivered to two different agencies – Friday night and Saturday morning! Thank you so much, Lisa!
- Tina Harris received a shout out for pursuing excellence in earning our recertification for "I'm Still Here".
- Maricella, thank you for making a Difference in helping a teammate in regards to sending therapy updates for insurance renewals.
- Thank you, Soul for loving people. A resident sits right next to him at the nurse's station. Soul shares tasks the resident can participate in.
- Susana Olivera and her husband made a difference last weekend. Susana was concerned about a resident who had gone off campus for a while. Her husband located our resident and took this resident out for pizza and back home eventually. Thank you to you and your husband, Susana for making such a difference.
- Team, remember we have a referral bonus for recommending Fowler as a place to work.
  - Currently we are seeking several positions. Some of them include Facilities Technician, Floor Technician, Courtesy Patrol, Server, and Certified Nurse Assistant.
  - If you would like a copy of our current open positions, please let us know and we can get you a copy anytime.
- We are in open enrollment for our dental, vision and life insurance. You may add/drop and/or make changes to these benefits this month.
  - We will have an open enrollment meeting next Monday July 19 at 2:30pm in the chapel.

- **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**