COVID POLICY
Modified: 12/22/2021

New Hampshire is currently experiencing a significant increase in COVID cases, hospitalizations, and deaths. The Omicron variant of the virus is spreading at a rapid rate across the country. Unfortunately, many people who are fully vaccinated and have had boosters are acquiring COVID. Even though it is hoped that those who have been vaccinated and have had boosters will be protected from a severe illness requiring hospitalization, vaccinated people can transmit COVID to others. The possibility of transmission is substantially increased in a closed indoor environment.

Given KNP’s responsibility to protect its volunteers and our neighbors, it is prudent that the following policies be adopted and remain in effect until the board decides that these new threats have passed. Vaccination is a matter of personal consideration, and KNP will not ask for verification but expects that all volunteers will follow the guidelines based on their vaccination status. All KNP volunteers are urged to get vaccinated if they have not already done so, and get boosters once they have completed the basic vaccination process.

General Rules

- All KNP volunteers who have not been vaccinated should not participate in KNP activities in person with other KNP volunteers or with neighbors.

- Masks must be worn during all indoor activities with vaccinated neighbors and volunteers, and are advised when participating in outdoor activities such as wood deliveries. KN95 or N95 masks, if available, are preferred, and their use is advised over cloth masks.

- Volunteers should not enter the homes of neighbors or provide transportation unless the neighbor says that they are vaccinated.

- Social distancing should be practiced indoors and out.

- When transporting a vaccinated neighbor, partially opened windows are advisable, weather permitting.

- Hand sanitizer should be used before and after any interaction.