



WAUKESHA PUBLIC LIBRARY

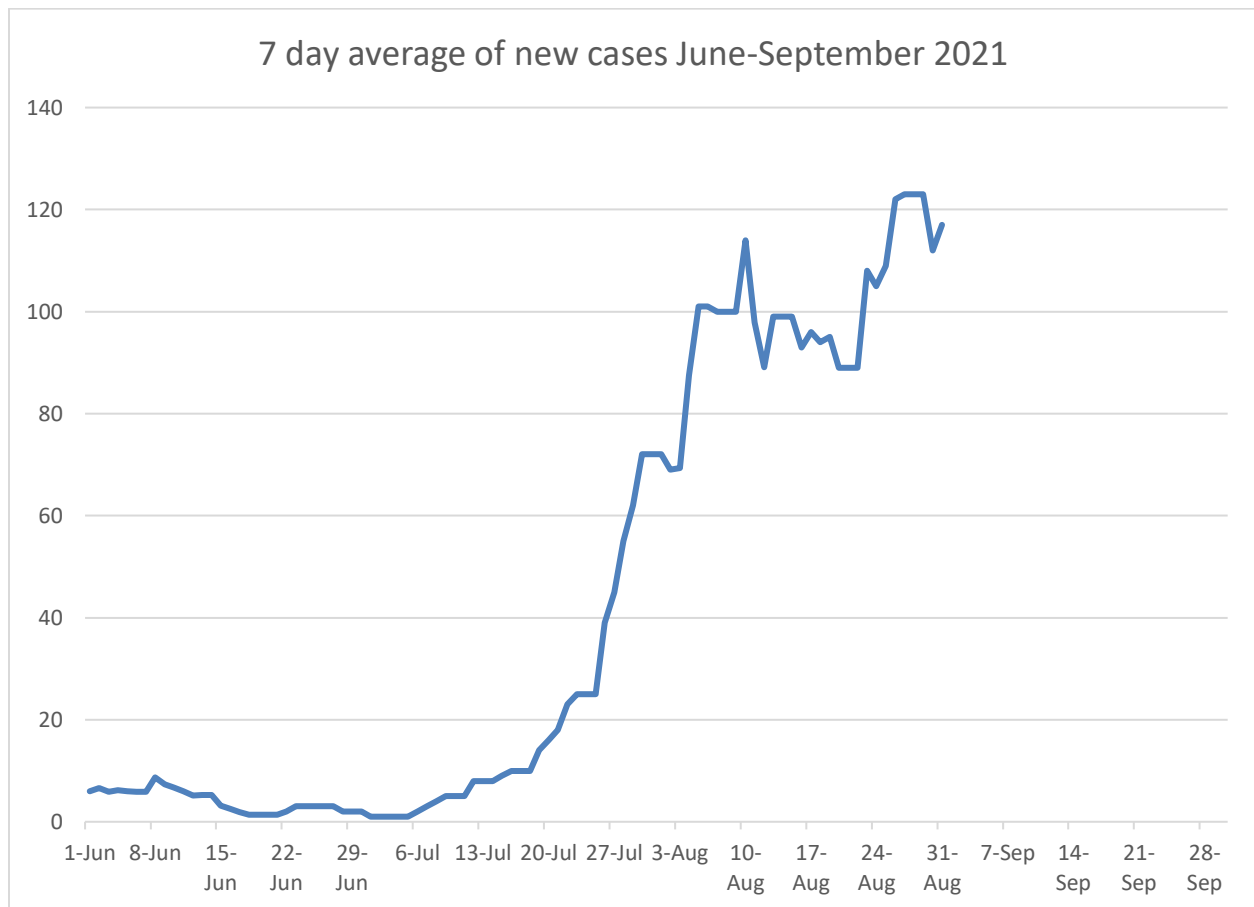
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To: Library Board of Trustees
From: Bruce Gay, Library Director
Re: Pandemic Update

At this time, it's difficult to project what will happen in Waukesha County. The 7-day average of new cases in the County jumped into the 100s at the beginning of August but has remained somewhat flat since then.



On September 1 53% of City of Waukesha residents had received at least one dose of the vaccine. This is significantly lower than in surrounding communities which are mostly vaccinated at a rate in the 60% range. Many staff in the library continue to wear masks as do some patrons. Because of construction there is lower foot traffic in the building which may help mitigate some spread of the disease. Almost all programs have been held outside. One which was not—a Memory Café—had nearly 100% of attendees masked.

As school begins the Library will continue to monitor the case rate in the county and any other developments. At this time neither the City of Waukesha nor Waukesha County have made any policy changes.

