



Memorandum # 5

To: Petawawa Civic Centre Clients
From: Kelly Williams, Director of Community Services
Date: Tuesday January 5, 2022.
Subject: **Modified Step 2 Restrictions Effective January 5th at 12:01 am.**

At 11:15 am on Monday January 3rd, 2022 the Province of Ontario released a new series of restrictions aimed at curbing the rapid spread of the Omicron variant. This variant is currently spreading throughout the Province like “wildfire” and threatens our health care system and many other support and service systems throughout the Province. These restrictions will impact recreation and leisure services offered by the Town of Petawawa. **Effective Wednesday January 5th at 12:01 am, the following restrictions will come into effect and will last until at least January 26th (3 weeks):**

- The PCC arena will be closed.
- Indoor meeting and event spaces such as the PCC Hall, Lounge and Committee Room will be closed to all rentals/programming.
- The Petawawa Public Library will remain open at 50% capacity with regular hours of operation, although the Rotary Room, as a meeting space, will be closed.
- All indoor recreational programming will be suspended during this period.
- Some outdoor recreational programming will be permitted. Please call Community Services at 613-687-5678 ext. 2103 for winter program details.
- Outdoor facilities such as the outdoor rink and the toboggan hill will be permitted to operate once they have been opened for the season. 50% capacity limits will apply.
- The Community Services Department office will remain open. Seasonal clients can contact the Community Services Liaison at 613-687-5678 ext. 2112 or bookings@petawawa.ca with questions regarding the necessary adjustments to their rental permits etc.

As we get closer to January 26th, additional communications will be circulated regarding these restrictions and next steps. This latest COVID-19 variant (Omicron) is expected to “hit like a tsunami” over the coming weeks. These restrictions are intended to assist with “dulling” the impact of this latest wave by limiting indoor person to person contact as much as possible. I would again like to thank all PCC Arena users for their cooperation, patience and assistance during this tasking and very challenging period of the COVID-19 pandemic. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding COVID protocols at the Petawawa Civic Centre, please reach out to your Community Services representative.

Sincerely,

Kelly Williams