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COVID-19 Response Update

The City of Cupertino continues to monitor the effects of COVID-19 as the safety of our residents, staff, and visitors remains our highest priority. The following information regards the City’s response to the latest recommendations from the County of Santa Clara Public Health Department. For more information, visit cupertino.org/coronavirus.

New

The City of Cupertino Reopens Playgrounds

The City of Cupertino reopened playgrounds on Thursday, December 10. The reopening of Cupertino playgrounds is in response to the Santa Clara County Public Health Department’s revised order that now allows for playgrounds to be open. The City will not be sanitizing play structure surfaces. Use at your own risk. Playground users should follow social distancing recommendations, wear a face covering, practice good hygiene, and follow the regulations put forth by the California Department of Public Health.

Playground Regulations Include:

• Face coverings must be worn by everyone two years of age or older.
• Do not use the playground when different households are unable to maintain a physical distance of six feet.
• Members of separate households must remain at least six feet apart at all times.
• Consider coming at different times or days to avoid crowds.
• No eating or drinking on the playground to ensure face masks are worn at all times.
• Wash or sanitize hands before and after using the playground.
• Elderly and persons with underlying medical conditions should avoid the playground when others are present.
• Limit visit to 30 minutes per day when others are present.
**Winter 2021 Recreation Schedule Available Online**

The City of Cupertino’s Park and Recreation Departments Winter 2021 Recreation Schedule is out! Many of the City’s most popular activities are offered virtually. [Register now](#).

**Events**

**Deck the Doors - Door Decorating Contest**

#CupertinoCares is hosting a door decorating contest, and we want you to participate. How festive can you make the front door to your home or an inside door in your office? Any door will do. We aren't picky!

Send a photo of your decked out holiday door to cupertinocares@cupertino.org by December 16. Doors will be judged on creativity and holiday spirit. Gift cards will be sent to the winners and will be announced on Friday, December 18.

For more information on Deck the Doors, visit [cupertino.org/holidayevents](http://cupertino.org/holidayevents)

**Shine Bright – The City of Cupertino’s Holiday Light Map**

It’s that special time of year—there’s a chill in the air, and neighborhoods are full of holiday spirit. Take a moment this month to step away from the hustle and bustle and enjoy the Shine Bright Cupertino light tour. Neighbors have thoughtfully decorated their homes with holiday décor for Cupertino to enjoy.

A few touring tips to remember:
- Drive carefully! If you’re doing a driving tour, please be mindful of the road and your surroundings. Briefly pull over to safely view lights, and always watch for pedestrians. Drive politely and quietly through neighborhoods.
- Be courteous to the homeowners and their neighbors.
- Best touring times are early nighttime. Don’t tour too late, as many lights get turned off after 10 p.m.
- If you get out of your car, be sure to social distance and wear a face covering.
- Enjoy and have fun!

Holiday Light Map: [Download Here](#)