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Two canoeists make their way around Fair Lake over the Labour Day weekend while practicing social distancing.

## FLATTENING THE CURVE

## HALTON HILLS FARING MUCH BETTER THAN REGIONAL **NEIGHBOURS WITH REGARD TO COVID-19 CASES**

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The COVID-19 case counts are way down, but the threat of the coronavirus persists.

"The pandemic is not over," stressed Dr. Nadia Alam, a physician at the Georgetown community hospital, amid the downward trend in the number of new cases across the region in recent months. "This is still a very contagious virus."

With only four new confirmed cases of the coronavirus in Halton Hills in all of August, as listed on Halton Region's COVID-19 database, it marks a record monthly low since the start of the pandem-

The town also currently fared

better compared to neighbouring municipalities like Burlington, Oakville and Milton. As of Sept. 4, there were 27 active cases of the coronavirus in the region, but none in Halton Hills.

The physician said the low trend in Halton can be attributed to the fact that more people were outdoors during the summer.

"Enclosed spaces with poor ventilation contribute to viral spread," Alam said.

She also credited the "hard

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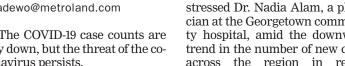


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