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WEEKLY ROUNDUP: OMICRON COVID-19 CASES RISING IN HALTON

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More Omicron variant cases of COVID-19 have been identified in Halton.

According to Halton Region Public Health, there are five confirmed cases of the Omicron variant across the region as of Dec. 8, as well as one probable case and eight people under investigation "due to an initial screen positive for the variant."

This was up from the previous week, where only one confirmed case and two probable cases of the new variant had been identified.

"We are urging all residents to get their two doses of COVID-19 vaccine, follow all public health mea-

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Your Mask



John RENNISON photo
Here's a weekly roundup of
COVID-19 cases and news.

asures and consider limiting the size of social circles, especially as we experience colder weather and moving indoors," Halton health officials said in an email. "Please also get tested if you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19."

As for the weekly COVID-19 cases, the region's website shows that from

Dec. 3 to 9 there were 308 new cases, up from 243 the previous week. Another Burlington resident has died from the disease, bringing the city's total to 71.

As of Dec. 10, the number of active COVID-19 cases stood at 297 — with 88 cases in Milton, 87 in Oakville, 66 in Burlington and 56 in Halton Hills.

There have been 20,892 cases of COVID-19 during the pandemic, with 20,350 marked as resolved and 245 deaths.

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