



## Family Day in Port Colborne

**Port Colborne, ON (Feb. 14, 2022)** – The City of Port Colborne will be observing Family Day on Mon., Feb. 21, 2022, and are encouraging residents to re-connect with recreation and activities across the city.

Ways to PORTicipate this Family Day:

- Vale Health & Wellness Centre
  - Free skate at the Vale Health & Wellness Centre from 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
  - The [arena programming schedule](#) is also operating with the following programs:
    - Senior and adult skate from 9:30 to 10:50 a.m.
    - Open PAYP from 12 to 1:20 p.m.
    - 50+ PAYP from 11 a.m. to 12:20 p.m.
    - Parents and tots from 1 to 2:20 p.m.
    - Standard rates and fees apply to these programs
  - Go for a walk around the walking track between 6:30 a.m. and 10 p.m. (masks must be worn while on the track).
  - The YMCA will be offering a variety of family-friendly programs. For more information, visit their [website](#).

**Note:** Proof of full vaccination status (two doses) is required for anyone 12 years and older through the [enhanced COVID-19 vaccine certificate](#) (QR code), either downloaded onto a smart phone or printed on a piece of paper. Enhanced vaccine certificates will be scanned through the Verify Ontario App, along with photo ID, to gain access to the facility. A laptop and printer are available for patrons that require assistance in printing their enhanced vaccine certificate. Active screening/contact tracing remains in effect for participants/spectators. Face covering requirements remain in effect.

- Port Colborne Historical & Marine Museum's GooseChase
  - To celebrate Ontario Heritage Week, the Museum has created a GooseChase scavenger hunt for you to enjoy! Spend a safe and fun afternoon discovering our local heritage with the "Humberstone Hunt" scavenger hunt. Details on how to play will launch Feb. 21, 2022, on our social media accounts, so be sure to like and follow us! Prefer to do an offline version? No problem! Call the Museum at 905-834-7604 to arrange for a paper copy.
- Enjoy the outdoors at our parks, trails, or green spaces. To learn more, visit our [website](#).
- Get freezin' for a reason
  - Once again the city is partnering with Special Olympics Ontario, encouraging residents to PORTicipate virtually in the Polar Plunge from Feb. 14 to Mar. 21, 2022. To register, for information about fundraising, and for creative ways to take the plunge virtually like filling your bath tub with ice or running through a sprinkler, visit their [website](#). The city is encouraging Port Colborne residents who participate to share their plunge videos on social media by tagging the City of Port Colborne and using #plungeON. The city is not hosting an in-person plunge this year, but we look forward to 2023.
- Port Colborne Public Library
  - Check-out books, board games, DVDs, and more from your [Port Colborne Public Library](#) using their curb-side services, Monday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. by Saturday, Feb. 19, as the Public Library is closed Feb. 20 and 21.
  - Just in time for Family Day, the Port Colborne Public Library is launching their Library of Things kits on Fri. Feb. 18 Kits can be checked out on an adult card for one week of LEGO® Kits, DUPLO® Kit, Code-a-Pillar™, Magformers®, Magic Kits, Sticky Monsters™, Bells and Shakers, and Interactive Movie Kits

- Take the time to learn about Black History. Your Library has curated an online carousel of suggested books on their website for patrons to browse and check-out for curbside pick-up. They have also created a window display of new Canadian Black History titles you can check out while going for a walk or while you're waiting for your curbside pick-up.
- Place a hold by phone by calling 905-834-6512, emailing [library@portcolborne.ca](mailto:library@portcolborne.ca), or through your online library account at [www.portcolbornelibrary.org](http://www.portcolbornelibrary.org).

As part of the province's steps to [reopening](#), effective Feb. 17, 2022, the province will increase social gathering limits to 50 people indoors and 100 people outdoors, indoor organized public events for up to 50 people, with no limit outdoors. Capacity limits in indoor public settings where proof of vaccination is required, like the Vale Health & Wellness Centre, will also be removed.

For more information about COVID-19 and how it impacts Port Colborne, visit our [website](#).

Except for the Vale Health & Wellness Centre, all city facilities are closed Feb. 21 to observe Family Day. To report a Public Works emergency, call 905-835-2900 and press '9' to reach dispatch. City facilities will reopen Feb. 22 at 8:30 a.m. with customer service representatives available between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. by phone at 905-835-2900 or by emailing [customerservice@portcolborne.ca](mailto:customerservice@portcolborne.ca).

### **About the City of Port Colborne**

Located on the south coast of the scenic Niagara Region, with a mission to provide an exceptional small town experience in a big way, Niagara's Port of Call has found the perfect balance – successful industrial and commercial sectors, comfortable and scenic residential areas, white sand beaches, unique culinary choices, the world class Sugarloaf Marina, fishing, golfing, trails, shopping districts along the historic Welland Canal and an energized festival and entertainment scene that includes live theatre – truly a community that adds to the overall Niagara experience. To learn how you can PORTicipate with us, visit our [website](#).

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