

# WORCESTER CYANOBACTERIA MONITERING COLLABORATIVE

## Jordan Pond

May 2021

Jordan Pond is located in Shrewsbury, about .2 miles to the east of Lake Quinsigamond, and behind Calvin Coolidge Elementary School. There is good public access along a .7 mile paved loop along the edge of the pond, where people can walk, run, fish recreationally, and birdwatch. Jordan Pond is a small shallow pond that is 18 acres and only 7 feet deep, which makes the waters more susceptible to cyanobacteria blooms. This is Jordan Pond's first year participating with the WCMC.

### Sampling Conditions

May 22nd was a partly cloudy, spring Saturday with no wind. There was no rain in the past 48 hours of taking the sample. The water was still with no waves and looked slightly turbid. There was evidence of a brown scum that resembled pollen, with a moderately fishy smell. Along the shore were many weeds and muck with bubbles. There were also some ducks and pedestrians nearby.



### Monthly Overview

Underneath the microscope, there were no organisms observed for Jordan Pond this month. As of now, we do not have enough information to make a determination on the risk of a bloom at Jordan Pond, but will continue to monitor the situation at the lake.

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