

Today's COVID-19 update (Tuesday, March 24, 2020 @ 11:30 am):

FIRST AND FOREMOST, AT THE TIME OF THIS POSTING DAVIESS COUNTY DOES NOT HAVE ANY CONFIRMED CASES OF COVID-19, BUT TEST RESULTS ARE PENDING WITH ISDH AND CDC.

Regardless of the test results, positive or negative; STAY HOME, WASH YOUR HANDS FREQUENTLY, AND PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING!!!!!!

All church meetings, gatherings greater than 10 people and all non-essential travel are suspended in accordance with the Governor's Order.

All non-essential businesses should be closed effective midnight tonight (Tuesday, March 24, 2020 @ 11:59 pm) in accordance with the Governor's Order.

Essential business and services shall continue including, but not limited to: grocery stores, pharmacies, gas stations, police stations, fire stations, hospitals, doctor's offices, health care facilities, garbage pickup, public transit, and public service hotlines such as SNAP and HIP 2.0. Essential activities include but are not limited to activities for health and safety, necessary supplies and services, outdoor activity, certain types of essential work, and to take care of others. A list of essential businesses and activities can be found at www.coronavirus.in.gov.

Daycares are considered essential services and should be adhering to the previous directive of screening children, no one over 60 years of age working at the facility, deep cleaning daily, grouping children in groups of 20 or less, if a child becomes positive removing that child and all others in the same group for 14 days and closing the facility for deep cleaning all areas before re-opening to those not in the affected group.

Food establishments may continue to operate and should be adhering to the previous directive of carry-out service, drive-thru service or delivery service ONLY. No in-dining and no one is allowed to "linger" while waiting for orders. Delivery personnel must be provided with hand sanitizer to use between deliveries and deliveries must occur outside of any businesses. Establishments must limit the number of patrons in the building for carry-out orders and disinfect ALL touch-points and surfaces on a continual basis. Establishments must enforce strict hand-washing procedures and allow more time to incorporate increased hand-washing frequencies among ALL workers.

Construction businesses conducting essential activities such as water/sewer line repairs, HVAC repairs and structural openings that affect the health and safety of the occupants is permissible. Any non-essential activities that can wait, must wait, such as demolition of a non-emergency nature, excavation of a non-emergency nature, and any other construction non-essential to the health and safety of the public.

The Daviess County Health Department will remain open to the public at this time, however, we ask that you call before coming in person to determine if the nature of your business is necessary at this time or can be delayed. You may reach us at (812) 254-8666 and our hours of operation are 8am to 5 pm Monday through Thursday and 8am to 4 pm on Friday.

The Daviess County Courthouse is closed to the public except for essential business only. You must call the office you are trying to conduct business with to determine if the business can wait before coming to the courthouse. If you must come to the courthouse the only available entrance is on the east side. A deputy will be stationed there to screen anyone wishing to enter the building including checking the persons temperature. The deputy will contact the department which you are planning to visit to confirm the nature of your business is warranted and then will direct you how to proceed.