Friday, May 29, 2020 Local Briefing Notes

Locally

Cherokee County has 2 active positive cases, bringing our total to 10 since tracking began. Eight of the previous cases have since recovered and are no longer considered contagious. Cherokee County has a testing rate of 21.7 per 1,000 residents.

Statewide

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment is reporting 9,719 positive cases in Kansas since tracking began. Included in those numbers are 842 hospitalizations and 208 deaths. There has been 94,780 people tested. The State of Kansas has a testing rate of 32.53 per 1,000 residents with a 10.3% positive rate.

Over the past several days, there has been a question about the authority of the Local Health Officer and the Local Board of Health, because of some language variations in some statutes. The KDHE legal team has offered the opinion, that because the Local Health Officer typically works for the Local Board of Health, the LBH's authority supersedes that of the LHO in certain circumstances.

The Department of Corrections reports 870 offenders have tested positive since tracking began.

Nationwide

John Hopkins University reports 5,851,494 COVID-19 cases worldwide since tracking began. This includes 361,270 deaths reported globally. Domestically, they report 1,724,873 positive cases, 101,698 deaths and 399,991 recovered.

Below is our local daily positive report.

Thanks! Sheriff David Groves