

Friday, May 15, 2020 Local Briefing Notes

Locally

Cherokee County remains at 0 active positive cases. Since tracking started, Cherokee County has recorded 8 positive cases, but all have since recovered and are no longer considered contagious.

Statewide

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment reports 7,886 positive cases since tracking began. Included are 724 hospitalizations and 172 deaths.

During our afternoon call with the Kansas Emergency Operations Center, the following information was briefed out:

The Kansas Department of Agriculture has met with county fair boards and encouraged them to make any necessary plans to obtain PPE they may need. Again, the state does not have a stockpile to support those efforts at this time. The KS Department of Ag is also working on written guidance for livestock shows and competitions.

The Kansas Department of Labor reminded everyone their website has been updated for those who traditionally are unable to obtain unemployment benefits, such as self-employed or gig workers.

The state is working on guidance related to Driver's Ed Programs and a document may be produced later this afternoon.

National Weather Service – There was at least one tornado touchdown near Morris County last night. Storms in Northwest Kansas tonight should be move across the rest of Kansas overnight tonight. Primary impact area is north part of the state. Tomorrow there are chances for storms in the eastern part of the state, but not widespread organized weather. Dry weather will move into the state next week, giving a break in the weather possibly up to Thursday.

There was discussion about requirements for barbers and stylists wearing masks. The written guidance for Cosmetology can be found attached to this email.

The state also put out a Memorial Day Guide, which I am attaching to this email.

John Hopkins University is reporting 1,419,863 confirmed total positive cases since tracking began. Included in that number are 85,964 deaths and 246,414 recovered cases.

Below is our local daily COVID-19 update.

Thanks!

Sheriff David Groves