



## Pottawatomie County Community Update

Friday, September 4, 2020-

Your safety, health, and security is our **top** priority.

	State of Kansas	Pottawatomie County
Total positive COVID-19 cases	45,220 (+1,280)	168 (+5) = 19 Active (+5); 149 Recovered 22 Pending
Total COVID-19 hospitalizations	2,415 (+54)	0 <b>Current known PT Co. hospitalizations</b>
COVID-19 related deaths	481 (+23)	0
Total Tests	427,205 (+7,958)	2,617 (+50)

Numbers in parentheses indicates the difference since the last report; numbers are updated Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. For a daily case summary, visit <https://www.coronavirus.kdheks.gov/160/COVID-19-in-Kansas>  
Hospitalizations, if we have any, are for any Pottawatomie County citizen hospitalized due to Covid, regardless of where that hospital is located.

Yesterday the Governor’s Office announced the State is set to begin releasing locations of active COVID-19 outbreaks in Kansas beginning next week. The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) has created a policy for identifying active clusters of COVID-19 in Kansas, and have stated they intend to announce these notifications as they believe “that the notification will benefit the public and aid in stopping and spreading the disease.” The names, addresses, or other identifying information of individuals diagnosed with COVID-19 are protected and will not be shared. In most cases outbreaks will be announced when a location has five (5) or more positive cases. Private events and home daycares are exempted due to privacy concerns. Meat packing plants and private businesses will be announced if they have twenty (20) or more positive cases. The names of the locations will be removed once they are considered non-active, typically 28 consecutive days without a new case.

September means back-to-school, autumn is arriving, and with that, flu season. Getting your flu vaccine annually is a good idea for most people, but may be even more important this year. The same ways to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 can be used to stop and/or slow the spread of most diseases, including Influenza. Wash your hands often, stay away from others – especially when you are sick, and wear a mask if you cannot maintain physical distancing. Keep yourself and your loved ones healthy!

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