



Teton Valley Health
Where Everyone Matters

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TESTING UPDATE

There are no positive test results to report as of today however, newly acquired rapid testing equipment is now operational. A drive through testing service has been set up so patients do not have to get out of their vehicles to be tested. Please call the COVID -19 nurses line at 208-354-2383 to be screened for testing or call 208-354-6323 to set up a teledoc appointment. If testing is recommended, you will be given corresponding instructions.

More and more positive cases are being reported with people that have had extremely mild symptoms. Or, they were not having usual symptoms of COVID -19 but maybe things like diarrhea, drowsiness, and a late onset sore throat. It is crucial for people to stay home if they're sick, and even if symptoms are mild call the nurses hotline for an evaluation.

TETON VALLEY HEALTH (TVH), FIRE DISTRICT, SHERIFF

Emergency responders and medical personnel would like to assure the public that there is capacity to deal with all health issues. Please do not hesitate to call 911 in an emergency or the nurse's line (354-2383) to schedule an appointment for care. Medical professionals are standing by to assist you.

ECONOMIC RECOVERY

Governor Little will be hosting a press conference on Economic Recovery on Thursday, April 23 from 11:00 am - 12:00 pm. The conference will be streamed to the public through Idaho Public Television and online at <https://www.idahoptv.org/shows/idahoinsession/governor/>.

LOCAL GEMS INITIATIVE

HOW CAN YOU?
#SUPPORTLOCALGEMS

- Shop local businesses online or over the phone
- Buy a gift card to your favorite local shop
- Order take-out or delivery from local restaurants
- Write a review online, post on social media or simply say thank you

SUPPORT LOCAL GEMS

Idaho's small businesses are the lifeblood of our communities and the backbone of our state's economy. The COVID-19 pandemic has forced many small businesses across the Gem state to close or significantly reduce the services they provide, threatening livelihoods, creating thousands of job losses, and jeopardizing the future of local businesses across our state.

The Support Local Gems initiative is a statewide public awareness campaign with a simple message to the people of Idaho.

On Friday, April 24, Senator Jim Risch and the Idaho Department of Commerce invite Idahoans to Support Local Gems -- the small businesses in their communities -- by shopping online, purchasing gift cards, ordering food via take-out or delivery, writing an online review, posting a supportive message for their favorite businesses on social media, or just saying thank you to a business in their community. There are many ways to show support, some that don't cost anything. We can each do our part to help support our community businesses when they need it most.

COUNTY AND CITIES

The Board of County Commissioners and the cities of Driggs, Teton, and Victor encourage non-essential businesses to prepare to reopen once the Stay at Home Order is lifted by preparing operational plans that will do the following:

- Maintain social distancing
- Provide adequate sanitation and protective coverings for employees, vendors, and patrons
- Offer curbside and pickup delivery
- Limit number of people in businesses at a time
- Direct flow of people in operation

Further guidance on re-opening efforts will be provided as soon as possible.

Businesses that currently must remain closed are: indoor gyms, recreational facilities, nightclubs, bars, entertainment venues, convention centers, hair and nail salons, public events and gatherings, dine-in restaurants (drive-thru, carry-out, delivery to continue), and other facilities and services that can not do so remotely or with curbside pickup.

TETON SCHOOL DISTRICT 401

Citing that providing a safe environment for students and staff is its number one priority -- the opening words of the school district's mission statement -- the Board of Trustees of Teton School District 401 voted unanimously Monday evening to extend home-based/online learning through the end of the academic school year. The decision came following two-plus hours of discussion of the district's admin-team recommendation to continue the 'soft closure' due to the coronavirus pandemic.

The school district will continue to provide free meals to those aged 1-18. Nearly 600 meals per day are being provided. Families are asked to please sign up, for the week ahead, or by midnight the night before meal pickup, at the Home-Based Learning Portal on the district website, tsd401.org.

Those who have experienced a change in income due to the COVID-19 pandemic are encouraged to apply for Free or Reduced lunch. It's important for the district to have accurate data regarding people's current needs. That application, in both English and Spanish, is also available on the district's website, under the Parents/Students tab; there, go to "School Lunch Details" and scroll to the bottom.

COVID - 19 INFORMATION HUB

All things COVID-19 can be found by visiting: <https://coronavirus-response-tetonidaho.hub.arcgis.com/>

STATISTICS UPDATE

World Update	National Update	Idaho Update
2,633,064 total cases	846,692 total cases	1,802 total cases
183,883 deaths	47,537 deaths	54 deaths
77,304 new cases in last 24 hrs	27,948 new cases in last 24 hrs	36 cases since yesterday

HARD WORK IS PAYING OFF - PLEASE STAY THE COURSE

Our food market workers put themselves at risk to provide us with the everyday essentials, so be sure to thank them and please keep their health in mind. Avoid shopping if you don't feel well, send only one family member for groceries, wear a face mask and continue social distancing in the store. We can do this! #flattenthecurve #StayHomeForUs #TetonValleyStrong #AllInThisTogether





SCRATCHY THROAT? FEELING EXTRA FATIGUED?



Even mild symptoms like these can be COVID-19.

**If you are feeling at all unwell, even if it's just a sore throat,
stay home. By staying home, you are saving lives.**

Call 208-354-2383