

Haskell County Kansas

Press release

March 19, 2020

Haskell County Health Department, Haskell County Emergency Management, Satanta Hospital and Clinics continue their mission of planning and protection during the COVID-19 pandemic. Monitoring of the virus began in November when the virus was first detected in Wuhan, China. The mission currently is one of planning, protection and heightened awareness but not in a response mode at the moment.

Currently there are 34 confirmed and 2 transient cases in 12 Kansas counties, including one death. There are no active cases in Haskell County or in any of the contingent counties. The case in Ford County was an out-of-state resident that is not included in the Kansas numbers.

In case of quarantine, you should have supplies available for 14 days. The best ways to protect yourself still includes washing hands, social distancing, and frequently cleaning surfaces including phones, door knobs, and light switches. This may be a change in mindset, but is currently the best practice.

The Haskell County Health Department is concentrating their resources to work with partners on the COVID-19 response for Haskell county. They will be only seeing patients on a scheduled basis for essential services until further notice. Please follow the Haskell County Health Department Facebook page for activities and current information on COVID-19 and what you can do to protect yourselves and your neighbors. The health department is still available by phone to answer any questions and to assist the community. Please call 620-675-8191 for assistance.

Satanta schools are serving grab and go lunches beginning today. The students must be the person picking up the meal which includes lunch for that day and breakfast for the following day. There will be a table set up outside of the grade school cafeteria. Hours are 10 am to 12 pm. Sublette schools are offering sack lunches beginning Monday, March 23 from 12 pm to 1:30 pm. They will be set up on the south side of the grade school. The student must be present in the vehicle.

The courthouse public hours are now 9 am to 3 pm. Entry is only permitted through the Sheriff's Office and you will be greeted by an employee of Haskell County EMS.

A correction to yesterday's press release is the number to the Satanta location of Centera Bank. The correct number is 620-649-2220. As a result of the evolving situation, Centera Bank has temporarily closed their lobby. They continue with normal business hours but ask that banking business be conducted through drive-up windows, online banking platform, mobile banking app, ATM, or night deposit. Other essential services are by appointment only. The number for the Sublette location is 620-675-8611.

We continue to follow the CDC and KDHE guidelines. For information please use www.CDC.gov/COVID19, or kdheks.gov/coronavirus. For questions on the local level contact the Haskell County Health Department at 620-675-8191 or Haskell County Emergency Management at 620-675-2485. Our email is ems@haskellcountyks.com.