

CodeRED Message from Mayor Jay Donecker Regarding COVID-19 – September 6, 2020

Hello Reidsville citizens, this is Mayor Jay Donecker calling you with our twice-monthly COVID-19 update. Let me first begin by wishing you and your families a happy and safe Labor Day. Since our last call, the Governor has announced a new executive order for Phase 2.5 of reopening. The key changes shared are:

- Mass gatherings will increase to 25 people indoors and 50 people outdoors.
- Playgrounds may open.
- Museums and aquariums may open at 50% capacity.
- Gyms and indoor exercise facilities may open at 30% capacity.
- Bars, nightclubs, movie theaters, indoor entertainment facilities, amusement parks, and dance halls will remain closed.

Here in Rockingham County, we have had 910 positive test results for COVID-19, including 18 deaths, 25 hospitalized patients, 2 who were asymptomatic, 211 at home/recovering, and the remaining 491 were classified as recovered. This represents a 30% increase for those hospitalized and newly infected and a 50% increase for those who have died during this past 2 weeks.

Please continue the 3 Ws if you leave home as these actions are key to limit infections, returning to in person teaching in our schools and helping our local economy:

- Wear a cloth mask.
- Wait 6 feet apart.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water or use hand sanitizer.
- Also, now is the time to be vaccinated for seasonal flu.

Finally, please remember to complete your 2020 Census form by mail, internet, telephone, or calling City Hall for general assistance.

Our next call will be on Sunday, September 20th. And always remember, we are Team Reidsville, wear a mask when in public and together we will get safely through this pandemic.