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**COLLETON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT FEEDING UPDATE, FIFTEEN CASES OF COVID-19 IN COLLETON COUNTY**

Colleton County School District will be observing **Spring Break April 13th through April 17<sup>th</sup>**.

**During the week of April 13-17, Colleton County School District will NOT be making meal deliveries, but Colleton County Government will be operating mobile meal pick-up locations for students during the Spring Break period.** Meal pick-up locations can be found on the School District's website or by following the link below. Normal meal deliveries will resume on April 20<sup>th</sup>.

[http://images.pcmac.org/Uploads/ColletonCountySD/ColletonCountySD/Sites/DocumentsCategories/Documents/SPRING%20BREAK%20MEAL%20SCHEDULE\\_%7BSISF0C3B7A5974A%7D.pdf](http://images.pcmac.org/Uploads/ColletonCountySD/ColletonCountySD/Sites/DocumentsCategories/Documents/SPRING%20BREAK%20MEAL%20SCHEDULE_%7BSISF0C3B7A5974A%7D.pdf)

Colleton County officials have been notified of fifteen total cases of COVID-19 in Colleton County, These cases of COVID-19 are in the 29488, 29446, 29475, 29435 and 29929 ZIP codes. The ZIP code data for the state is available on DHEC's COVID-19 webpage, specifically on the Testing & SC Data page, underneath the county map. This can be found by following the link below.

<https://scdhec.gov/infectious-diseases/viruses/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19/testing-sc-data-covid-19>

It's important to note that there are likely many more people in the community who have this virus and have never been tested. Also, DHEC isn't notified when individuals are no longer infectious (i.e., they are well), and as a result, these numbers likely include people who have recovered and no longer pose a risk to others.

Colleton County residents are urged to follow the guidance of Governor McMaster and the recommendations of the CDC. This information can be accessed at [colletoncounty.org/coronavirus](http://colletoncounty.org/coronavirus).

The Colleton County Fire-Rescue Emergency Management Division, the Colleton County Sheriff's Office and the City of Walterboro will be hosting another live question and answer session on Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 PM. Please use the link below to submit questions before Thursday or during the live stream.

<http://colletonfire.com/question>

#### GOVERNOR MCMASTER'S EXECUTIVE ORDERS

If you have questions regarding Governor McMaster's executive orders and how they relate to your business, please contact the South Carolina Department of Commerce by email at [covid19sc@sccommerce.com](mailto:covid19sc@sccommerce.com) or by phone at 803-734-2873.

Governor Henry McMaster's Executive Orders related to the COVID-19 Pandemic can be accessed by following the link below.

<https://governor.sc.gov/executive-branch/executive-orders>

#### COUNTY OFFICES

For information regarding County office closures, please see previous press releases, which can be found at [colletoncounty.org/coronavirus](http://colletoncounty.org/coronavirus), or by using the email addresses and phone numbers on the County's website at <https://colletoncounty.org/department-services>. If you do not have access to the County's website, please call 843-549-5221.

#### REMINDERS AND HELPFUL LINKS

The chain of command and direction and control during a public health emergency is different than what is exercised during a natural or human-made disaster. The [South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control \(DHEC\)](#) is the lead agency. DHEC officials are working closely with our federal partners at the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#).

If you are concerned about the coronavirus (COVID-19) or experiencing respiratory or flu-like symptoms such as fever and/or cough, MUSC recommends you speak to an online virtual care provider. Virtual COVID-19 screenings are free. Just use the code COVID19 when you follow the link below and log in to MUSC's Telehealth service. No appointment is necessary, and this service also covers other conditions, such as allergy/hay fever, sinus infection, pink eye, sore throat, or the common cold. You can also call 843-261-5940 for more information.

<https://campaigns.muschealth.org/virtual-care/index.html>

For more information, please visit the links below.

- SCDHEC - <https://www.scdhec.gov/health/infectious-diseases/viruses/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19>
- John Hopkins Center Global Tracker –

<https://gisanddata.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/bda7594740fd40299423467b48e9ecf6>

- CDC - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>
- WHO - <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019>
- Colleton County Government – <https://www.colletoncounty.org/Coronavirus>

Should you have any questions, please visit Colleton County Fire-Rescue's Emergency Management Division webpage at [www.colletonfire.com](http://www.colletonfire.com). Colleton County Fire-Rescue's Emergency Management Division and all of our Emergency Support Function partners have been collaborating for several weeks now and will continue to monitor COVID-19.