

As of today, Gloucester County has 1,239 positive cases and 4,166 negative tests of COVID-19. Pitman is holding for today at 23 confirmed cases with men and women ranging in age from 23 to 85 years old.

*The next County drive up testing site at Rowan College of South Jersey on Tanyard Road, Sewell will be offered on Thursday May 7th. Residents 18 and older with symptoms of COVID-19 must call (856) 218-4142 starting tomorrow, Friday, May 1, 2020, to be prescreened. Please have your insurance information available when you call. Once prescreened an appointment time will be scheduled.

*Effective at sunrise, Saturday, May 2, 2020, the State and County Parks and public and private golf courses are permitted to reopen per the Governor's Executive Order #133. State Parks will be capped at 50% capacity and all State owned recreation facilities such as playgrounds, pavilions, visitor's centers and restrooms will remain closed.

*With the changes in the Governor's position on State and County Parks, it seems an appropriate time to remind and clarify for residents the use of our local parks. All Borough parks remain open to Pitman residents only, subject to specific restrictions and all social distancing directives. All Borough owned pavilions, restrooms, playgrounds, basketball courts, tennis courts and Sunset Auditorium remain closed. All fields and parks are open for passive use (provided the Governor's social distancing guidelines are being followed), but remain closed to organized sports and groups. As we have requested previously, please do not put our police officers in a position where they have to ask you to leave the fields or facilities due to violating these guidelines.

*The NJ Department of Human Services announced that residents who receive food assistance through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (NJ SNAP) will receive additional payments in May. The supplemental benefits will be directly loaded to NJ SNAP recipients' Families First EBT cards as part of their regular monthly payment. Human Services also received federal approval to extend NJ SNAP re-certification periods to six months for cases that were expiring in March, April and May. This means families receiving SNAP will not have benefit interruptions during that time. For more information, or to see if your family is eligible for the program, please visit www.njhelps.org.

Stay well,

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