

Friday, May 8, 2020



This week was **Public Service Recognition week** and all week we've worked hard to show how much we appreciate all our employees. I assisted **HR Director Kevin Townsel and his team** to hand out lunches and breakfast goodies all over Franklin with walk-up and drive-by delivery. Many employees filled out the "I Serve Because..." sheets and their photos and answers are pictured in the attached PowerPoint PDF. Thank you to everyone for their hard work to provide this for our employees. You can also see a video of this week's events on the City Facebook and YouTube pages. Here is a link to the YouTube videohttps://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FJSZ1JeO2fU. **Thanks to Robert Mott in our Communications Division for the video and Leah Kelley in HR for the PowerPoint.**

Coronavirus Update: We continue to follow the Governor's TN Pledge guidelines. The Governor did extend local governments holding electronic meetings through June. We have a direct link to all TN Pledge guidelines on our website at www.franklint.gov/covid-19. Williamson County cases decreased by 2 over yesterday, taking down our positive confirmed cases to 434. **Thursday was the second consecutive day positive cases have**

<u>dropped in Williamson county – the first time since the pandemic began.</u> We now have over 1,245,000 confirmed cases in the United States and 3,813,000 cases globally. We maintain the seventh highest number of cases in Tennessee.

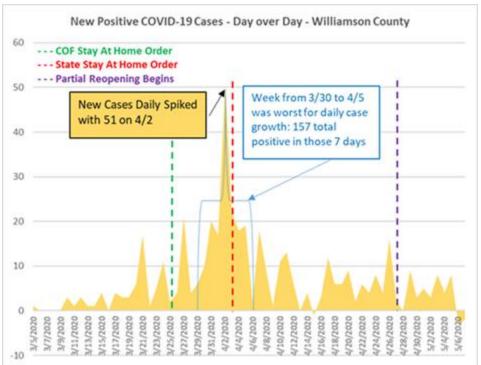
COVID-19 confirmed cases as a percentage of overall population is shown below:

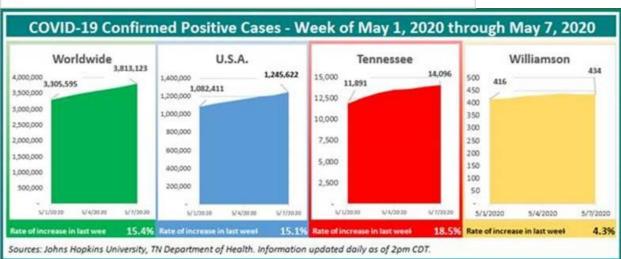
COVID-19 Positive cases as percentage of Overall Population				
Region	Total Pop.	<u>Cases</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	
World	7,640,000,000	3,813,123	0.050%	
United States	329,450,000	1,245,622	0.378%	
Tennessee	6,830,000	14,096	0.206%	
Williamson	240,000	434	0.181%	

		as of 5/7/2020	
Total Tests	6342	Recovered	296
		Recovery Rat 68.2%	
Positive	434	Deceased	10
Negative	5908	Fatality Rate	2.3%

Of the total 6,342 tests, as of Thursday 6.8% have tested positive, down slightly (0.2%) from Wednesday. This is a decline from a week ago where 7.8% of all cases tested positive within a smaller sample size. The percent positive as a percentage of total cases has declined every day since larger-scale testing began by the health department. Recovered patients – those who were infected and have since recovered remains steady at 2 out of every 3 (68.2%) of all positive COVID-19 cases in Williamson County. There have been 10 deaths related to COVID-19 in Williamson County.

Day over day positive cases are shown below with an overlay as to when the Stay-At-Home executive orders and partial reopenings began.







The Franklin Fire
Department's 2019 Awards
Ceremony was unable to take
place as scheduled on March 12
due to Covid-19. Instead, the
department honored award
winners virtually. Follow the
links below to watch short
videos of the 2019 honorees!

• 2019 Personnel of the Year Top row: Lieutenant Jeff Moss, Engineer-Paramedic Dustin Anderson, and Firefighter Emily Nelms, Bottom row: Firefighter-Paramedic Byron Dahlstrom, Assistant Fire Marshal Jonathan Dye, and City of Franklin IT Department GIS Specialist I Andrew Southern.

- Unit Citation for Valorous Conduct and Civilian Lifesaving Award
- Phoenix Awards
- Exemplary Service Awards
- Stork Award
- Fire Chief's Award Hurricane Dorian Deployment
- <u>Award of Appreciation Atmos Energy Distribution Operator Timothy Langston</u>

Great work by all of these team members. Thank you!

Columbia State Community College Workforce Development Division has informed us of some **free learning opportunities**. Anyone anywhere is welcome to take these courses for free provided they enroll by June 30 and complete 24 hours of self-paced training (per course) within 90 days of registration. Learners are welcome to take as many free courses as they like. FREE courses:

https://registration.xenegrade.com/columbiastate/viewPage.cfm?page=1 Each free course is 24 hours of self-paced online learning. Register today and have up to 90 days to complete the course.

Take as many of the courses as you like.

List of Free Courses:

- Creating Web Pages
- Creating WordPress Websites
- Managing Customer Service
- Marketing Your Business on the Internet

- Fundamentals of Supervision and Management
- Twelve Steps to a Successful Job Search
- Keys to Effective Communication
- Personal Finance
- Small Business Marketing on a Shoestring
- Individual Excellence

They are also offering the following Online Certification Programs:

Pharmacy Tech Program 50 hours https://bit.ly/3aM3uyk

Certified Clinical Medical Assistant 140 hours https://bit.ly/3a0qs86

Medical Administrative Assistant 50 hours https://bit.ly/35k30n1

Dialysis Technician 50 hours https://bit.ly/3cXt19v

Electronic Health Records Management 50 hours https://bit.ly/3bN73Wq

Veterinary Assistant 100 hours https://bit.ly/3aI6UlP

Email <u>WorkforceDev@ColumbiaState.edu</u> if you have any questions and to share your ideas for getting the word out to others about these learning opportunities.

That's it for this week. Again, thank you for everything you do everyday to serve our community. Your impact is greater than you will ever know. I am proud of our team! You're the best!



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