



We urge the citizens of Hood County and the surrounding cities to do their part in protecting their community from COVID-19. As we move into the holidays, there is an increased risk of exposure to COVID-19 due to the gatherings of family and friends. Hood County has already begun to see a SUBSTANTIAL increase in positive COVID-19 tests and the number of positive cases are on the rise.

We urge you to continue your efforts to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and other influenza-like illnesses as we enter flu season in order to keep our community at work and school. The local ISD's are diligently working to continue in-person education for its students. There are a number of ways to prevent the spread of COVID-19; these include:

- If it is not feasible to maintain six feet of social distance, wear a mask or face covering when going out in public.
- Consistent hand washing with soap and water, as well as the use of hand sanitizer.
- Frequently cleaning and disinfecting regularly touched objects and surfaces.
- Covering your cough or sneeze with a tissue, and then promptly washing your hands.
- Avoiding close contact with people who are sick.
  - Remember that some people without symptoms can still spread the virus.
- Stay at home when you are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.

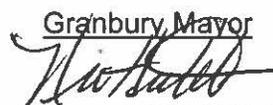
Additionally, please do your part in stopping the spread of unsubstantiated information. Three easy ways to do this are:

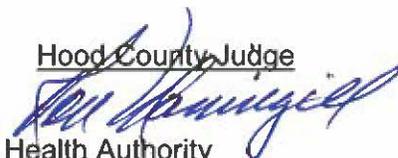
1. Don't believe rumors.
2. Don't pass along rumors.
3. Go to trusted sources for information regarding COVID-19 and the local and federal responses.

**At this time, our local leadership is not considering any community shutdowns. Everyone's cooperation in following these guidelines is appreciated.**

Thank you for doing your part to keep your community safe.

Sincerely,

Granbury Mayor  


Hood County Judge  


Hood County Public Health Authority  
