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"Promoting physical and mental health and facilitating the prevention of disease, injury and disability for all St. Joseph County residents"

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COVID-19 Cases Update

Per Governor Holcomb's current executive order 20-50, the following restrictions are in place for social gatherings and events based on the county's color-coded metric, which is currently orange.

- It is recommended that social gatherings be cancelled or postponed. In the event that a social gathering cannot be cancelled or postponed, the following restrictions and requirements exist:
 - A "social gathering" such as a wedding reception, funeral visitation, family reunion, party, barbeque, picnic or club meeting is limited to no more than 50 people in attendance.
 - Physical distancing requirements must be achieved and maintained.
 - Face coverings are required.
 - Other sanitation measures are implemented at the site where the gathering occurs.
- An event, such as conferences, conventions, concerts, shows, fairs, festivals, carnivals, parades, graduation ceremonies, community holiday celebrations, fundraisers or other entertainment events are limited to no more than 50 people present.

The St. Joseph County Department of Health no longer has authority to approve social gatherings or events that exceed this capacity limit.

As of today, St. Joseph County is reporting 3,743 active cases (red as it relates to County metrics), and an average of 231 cases per day (red) over the last seven days. Test positivity rate is 14.5% (as of 12/4/2020) (red). The R0 is 0.76 (as of 12/5/2020) (yellow).

	New cases per day in SJC, based on a 7-day rolling average	Active cases in SJC (cases diagnosed in preceding 14-day period)	Percent positivity of tests in SJC (from ISDH website)	R0 Estimate (available at http://metrics.covid19-analysis.org/)
Red	231	3,743	14.5% (as of 12/4/2020)	
Yellow				0.76 (as of 12/5/2020)
Green				

The St. Joseph County Department of Health urges the continuation of the following actions:

- **Wear a facial covering (should fit snugly over the mouth and nose) anytime you are around people not in your household.**
- **Practice extreme physical distancing.**
 - Maintain at least 6ft between individuals.
 - Wearing a mask does NOT eliminate the need for physical distancing.
- **Practice frequent and proper hand hygiene & cough etiquette.**
 - Wash hands often, for at least 20 seconds, with soap & water; coughing and sneezing into your sleeve.
- **Avoid social gatherings and assemblies outside of your immediate family/household.**
- **Stay home if ill.**

For all COVID-19 testing sites in St. Joseph County, you can view an interactive map at <https://www.coronavirus.in.gov/2524.htm>. Please be aware each site may have different criteria for testing and may not be up to date.

For more information on COVID-19, visit the Indiana State Department of Health at www.in.gov/isdh and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at www.cdc.gov. For general questions as it relates to COVID-19 infection, please call 2-1-1.

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