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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

St. Joseph County- As of today, St. Joseph County is reporting 695 active cases (red as it relates to school re-opening guidance) and is averaging 50.3 cases per day (red) in the last seven days. The county's R0 estimate is .99 (yellow). Test positivity rate is 6.3% (as of 8/4/2020) (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 covid-19.scientifichpc.com)
Red (strong recommendation for e-learning or severely limited in-person instruction)	50.3	695		
Yellow (consider hybrid model or reduced capacity)			6.3%	.99
Green (consider in-person instruction at usual capacity)				

Beginning today, we will only report on the current status of cases and activity as we feel this is the most reflective of COVID-19 infection and transmission in our community.

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.

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

- **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.**

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- Wash hands often, for at least 20 seconds, with soap & water; coughing and sneezing into your sleeve.
- **Stay home if ill.**
- **Abide by the current Public Health Order, requiring face coverings when going into an enclosed public space or business and when 6 feet of physical distance cannot be maintained within the enclosed public space or business.**

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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