



COVID-19 INCIDENT UPDATE: September 11, 2020

Statistics from September 10, 2020

INCIDENT FACTS AND SUMMARY			
Total Confirmed Cases:	Hospitalized in Shasta County	In Isolation	Active Cases
612	2	15	17
Confirmed Cases Thursday	Currently in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU)	In Quarantine	Released from Isolation to Date
1	1	102	583
Negative Tests Thursday	Negative Tests to Date	Total Tests	Deaths
608	38,976	39,588	12

CURRENT SITUATION

- We had 1 new case on Thursday. She is a woman in her 30s and it is still unknown whether she has symptoms or is hospitalized.
- **Myth:** “If there’s a positive case in a school, they’ll shut the school down, so kids with symptoms shouldn’t be tested.” **Fact:** One positive case does not require a school to close. State regulations require that student/staff member to be isolated and close contacts quarantined, like with any other case. A contact is defined as a person who is within six feet of the person for at least 15 minutes. In some school situations, it may be difficult to determine whether individuals have met this criterion and an entire cohort, classroom or other group may need to be considered exposed, particularly if people have spent time together indoors. Individual school closure may be appropriate when there are multiple cases in multiple cohorts at a school or when at least 5 percent of the total number of teachers/student/staff test positive within a 14-day period, depending on the size and layout of the school. It is within the authority of the school superintendent to close a school or switch the mode of instruction as they see fit.
- **Testing is critical** to help contain the spread of COVID-19 – it is vital to know if a person has the virus, so they can remain isolated until they are no longer contagious. This helps keep case numbers low. Help us stay in the orange (moderate) tier, so our local businesses can remain open. Go to ShastaReady.org and click “Roadmap to Recovery” to see what would change in Shasta County if we moved to another tier.
- Anyone can be tested for COVID-19 **and same-day appointments are often available**. Average turnaround time for tests at the Shasta College site last week was 60 hours, or between 2 and 3 days. Go to ShastaReady.org and click on “Get tested” to find out the best option for you.

Resources:

Website: www.ShastaReady.org **Live maps:** <https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/us-map>

Cooperating Agencies:

Shasta County Sheriff’s Office, CAL FIRE/Shasta County Fire Department, City of Redding, City of Anderson, City of Shasta Lake, Mercy Medical Center Redding, Shasta Regional Medical Center, Redding Rancheria Tribal Health Center, Shasta Community Health Center, Mountain Valleys Health Centers, Mayers Memorial Hospital District, Hill Country Community Clinic, Shingletown Medical Center