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The “OneNassau” Joint Information System (JIS) is monitoring the rapidly changing situation in order to provide timely, accurate, unified messaging to our residents. Updates will be provided each afternoon; more frequently only if warranted.

Current Situation in Nassau County:

- The Emergency Operations Center (**EOC**) will resume **Level 2** Activation with enhanced staffing on Monday, March 23rd, to take calls from the public and continue processing emergency requests for resources
- Emergency Management and Department of Health personnel will be monitoring the situation in Nassau County and the State throughout the weekend, and are prepared to respond to any changes in the community’s needs
- There have been no new cases of Coronavirus in Nassau County
- The FDOH website [floridahealthcovid19.gov](https://www.floridahealthcovid19.gov) should have all you need to know about COVID-19 in Florida, but anyone with questions about the pandemic over the weekend or after 5 p.m. can call FDOH COVID-19 Call Center toll-free at **866-779-6121**
- Residents who are ILL and have traveled to a known “community spread” area or been a “close contact” to a known positive case of Coronavirus should call DOH-Nassau at **904-875-6100** for guidance
- **Nassau County Schools** will begin providing meals for students beginning Monday, March 23rd – see <https://www.nassau.k12.fl.us/> for more info
- A number of Executive Orders have been issued that impact our local businesses. Business owners should complete the **Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO)** impact survey at <https://floridadisaster.biz/>; businesses experiencing economic injury may apply for a bridge-loan on www.FloridaDisasterLoan.org or **Small Business Administration (SBA)** disaster loan assistance at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/>

Continue to take everyday precautions to reduce disease transmission:

- If you are at risk or have underlying health conditions, avoid crowds and maintain social distancing practices
- Stay home, away from others whenever ill
- Cough/sneeze into your elbow, sleeve, or a tissue (and throw the used tissue into the trash)
- Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing, or having been in a public place; if soap and water are not available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- Avoid touching common surfaces in public places – door handles, ATM buttons, handrails, etc. Use a tissue or your sleeve to cover your hand or finger if you must touch something; avoid touching your face, eyes, nose, and mouth.

- Clean and disinfect frequently-touched surfaces to remove germs every day (e.g., tables and counters, doorknobs, light switches, steering wheels, keyboards and mice, faucets, remotes, and phones)

The Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is the “clearing house” for Nassau County’s JIS and posts incident information regularly on the [NassauEM Facebook Page](#) and www.NassauFL-EM.com website. If you have questions, please call the EOC’s information line 904-548-0900 or message the EOC staff through the [NassauEM Facebook page](#).