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### **COLLETON COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION UPDATE**

The Colleton County Parks and Recreation Fitness Center will re-open on Tuesday May 26<sup>th</sup> with new policies and procedures in place that will be put out by the end of next week. New Fitness Center hours will be 5:00 am until 10:00 pm Monday through Friday. Weekend hours will not change from the normal schedule (Saturdays 8:30-12:30, Sundays 1-6). There will be no 1 or 2 day passes or new membership signups until Monday June 8<sup>th</sup>. Fitness classes will resume on Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup> with new policies and procedures.

Baseball and Softball Local Leagues (Dixie Softball and Dixie Youth Baseball) are cancelled. Refunds will be mailed out by the end of the month.

The first travel ball tournament is tentatively scheduled for June 13<sup>th</sup>.

### CITY OF WALTERBORO PARKS UPDATE

The following parks reopened on May 14<sup>th</sup>

- Forest Hills Tennis Center (772 Ireland Hills Drive)
- Pinckney Park (505 Hampton Street)
- Gladys-Whidden Park (215 Lakeside Drive)
- Shaniyah Burden Memorial Park (207 McDaniel Street)
- Mayfield Terrace Park (652 Dowling Avenue)
- Walterboro Wildlife Sanctuary (Washington Street to Detreville Road)

### COLLETON COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE

Colleton County officials have been notified of forty-eight total cases of COVID-19 in Colleton County, with nine new cases reported yesterday and seven new cases reported today. These cases of COVID-19 are in the 29488 and 29481 ZIP codes, as well as two cases with unknown ZIP codes. The ZIP code data for the state is available on DHEC's COVID-19 webpage, specifically on

the Testing & SC Data page, underneath the county map. This can be found by following the link below.

<https://scdhec.gov/infectious-diseases/viruses/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19/testing-sc-data-covid-19>

It's important to note that there are likely many more people in the community who have this virus and have never been tested. Also, DHEC isn't notified when individuals are no longer infectious (i.e., they are well), and as a result, these numbers likely include people who have recovered and no longer pose a risk to others.

Colleton County residents are urged to follow the guidance of Governor McMaster and the recommendations of the CDC. This information can be accessed at [colletoncounty.org/coronavirus](http://colletoncounty.org/coronavirus).

#### GOVERNOR MCMASTER'S EXECUTIVE ORDERS

If you have questions regarding Governor McMaster's executive orders and how they relate to your business, please contact the South Carolina Department of Commerce by email at [covid19sc@sccommerce.com](mailto:covid19sc@sccommerce.com) or by phone at 803-734-2873.

Governor Henry McMaster's Executive Orders related to the COVID-19 Pandemic can be accessed by following the link below.

<https://governor.sc.gov/executive-branch/executive-orders>

#### COUNTY OFFICES

For information regarding County office closures, please see previous press releases, which can be found at [colletoncounty.org/coronavirus](http://colletoncounty.org/coronavirus), or by using the email addresses and phone numbers on the County's website at <https://colletoncounty.org/departments-services>. If you do not have access to the County's website, please call 843-549-5221.

#### REMINDERS AND HELPFUL LINKS

The chain of command and direction and control during a public health emergency is different than what is exercised during a natural or human-made disaster. The [South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control \(DHEC\)](#) is the lead agency. DHEC officials are working closely with our federal partners at the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#).

If you are concerned about the coronavirus (COVID-19) or experiencing respiratory or flu-like symptoms such as fever and/or cough, MUSC recommends you speak to an online virtual care provider. Virtual COVID-19 screenings are free. Just use the code COVID19 when you follow the link below and log in to MUSC's Telehealth service. No appointment is necessary, and this

service also covers other conditions, such as allergy/hay fever, sinus infection, pink eye, sore throat, or the common cold. You can also call 843-261-5940 for more information.

<https://campaigns.muschealth.org/virtual-care/index.html>

For more information, please visit the links below.

- SCDHEC - <https://www.scdhec.gov/health/infectious-diseases/viruses/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19>
- John Hopkins Center Global Tracker – <https://gisanddata.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/bda7594740fd40299423467b48e9ecf6>
- CDC - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>
- WHO - <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019>
- Colleton County Government – <https://www.colletoncounty.org/Coronavirus>

Should you have any questions, please visit Colleton County Fire-Rescue's Emergency Management Division webpage at [www.colletonfire.com](http://www.colletonfire.com). Colleton County Fire-Rescue's Emergency Management Division and all of our Emergency Support Function partners have been collaborating for two months now and will continue to monitor COVID-19.