Hoopeston locks down in wake of increased Covid cases

Hoopeston schools, city government and some businesses are reducing access after mounting positive Covid cases have been reported.

A record high 79 new positive cases was announced Tuesday by Public Health Administrator Doug Toole. Thirty-four new cases were added Wednesday and again Thursday, followed by 51 Friday. Saturday saw a sharp drop with 17 new positive cases reported.

The cumulative number of positive cases in the 60942 zip code took a jump last week. At 39 late last week, the number Friday was 52, where it remained as of Sunday morning. The zip code includes Hoopeston and Cheneyville.

On Friday, both Hoopeston Area school district and the City of Hoopeston announced closures due to active Covid cases.

Maple School second graders last week went to all remote learning, but Friday, Supt. Robert Richardson announced that the entire district will go to all remote learning beginning Tuesday and going through October 23. In-person learning is expected to begin again on October 26.

On Friday, Richardson announced there were several positive cases in the district, resulting in students and staff being quarantined. Due to the number affected, the decision was made to go to all remote learning.

Teachers are available by email, phone or Google Meets. Those who have difficulties with their devices or technology are asked to call their student's school office for help.

District representatives will be distributing weekly lunches during remote learning. Pick-up sites are the East Lynn Fire Station, Rankin Lions Club, Wellington Post Office and behind Hoopeston Area High School. Meals may be picked up Wednesday from 5-6 p.m. Meals will also be distributed to country students.

Those who want to receive remote meals on Wednesday evening are asked to email their student(s) names, physical address and number of meals to remotemeals@hoopeston.k12.il.us before noon Tuesday, Oct. 13 for Wednesday, Oct. 14 distribution.

Those who have already contacted the cafeteria will remain on the list until in-person learning resumes.

City officials were notified Friday morning of a positive Covid test for a city employee, which has resulted in city hall being closed to the public until at least October 26, said Brad Hardeaste, Hoopeston Emergency Management director.

Residents who need city services may call (217) 283-5833. Water payments may be left in the drop box in front of city hall or made by telephone, mail or online at www.paymentservicenetwork.com.

Hoopeston Police Department’s front window will also be closed. Residents who need police assistance are asked to call the nonemergency number, (217) 283-5196. If you have an emergency, call 9-1-1.

Hoopeston Public Library Director Tricia Freeland announced Friday that, due to a positive Covid test for a staff member, the library would be closed for three days, beginning Saturday, to allow staff to thoroughly disinfect the building and allow staff to be tested. The library is expected to reopen Tuesday, returning to curbside service only and with reduced hours. Staff will be available from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. daily, except Tuesday, when it will be open 3-8 p.m. The library is closed Saturdays.

All library items must be picked up using curbside service during these hours. Materials may be returned by curbside service or using the outside book drop after hours. No public computer use will be available. Interlibrary loan service will continue. Requests may be made by phone or the online patron access catalog. Online story times and other programs will continue via Facebook.

Copying, printing and fax service will be available by curbside by appointment only, by calling (217) 283-6711.

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MANN - Jack L. Mann, 69, of Danville, formerly of Watseka and Milford, died Thursday, Oct. 8, at home. Visitation will be 10 a.m. until the noon funeral Wednesday at Baier Funeral Home, Watseka. Burial will be in Liberty Cemetery, Iroquois. Masks are required for those wishing to attend. Memorials are suggested to family wishes.

Obituaries

PAYNE - Rick Payne, 70, of Hoopeston, died at 11:20 p.m. Friday, Oct. 9, 2020, at home. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

RHOADES - Anne Rhoades, 84, of Hoopeston, died at 4:25 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, 2020, at Gibson Area Hospital in Gibson City. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

TESKE - Sandra Fehr (Moore) Teske, 76, of Cerroton, Calif., formerly of Rossville, died October 4, 2020, at home. Visitation will be 2-5 p.m. today at Knapp Funeral Home, Cissna Park, and 10 a.m. until the 11 a.m. funeral Wednesday at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Woodworth. Burial will follow in St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery, Woodworth. Condolences may be left at www.knappfuneralhomes.com.

WWYS - Artie “Peg” Wyss, 91, formerly of Cisna Park, died Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2020, at Alta Vista Senior Living Community, Prescott, Ariz. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

Fire Calls

Hoopeston Fire Department was called at 5:10 a.m. Thursday to a Centennial Manor, 426 E. Honeywell, for a fire alarm. The source of smoke was found. No injuries were reported.

Fire personnel were called at 11:41 p.m. Friday to the 500 block of West Main for a water heater spraying water on an electrical box. No sparks or smoke were reported at the time of the call. The water to the residence was turned off and firemen cleared the scene.

HELP WANTED

Ravens Livestock and Farm is looking for seasonal help. No CDL required. Call Lloyd, (217) 304-1943.

Autumn Fields of Hoopeston is looking for CNAs part time hours, every other weekend and shared holidays. Please call Autumn Fields at (217)-283-2222.

Greene Galvanized Stairs is looking for personnel to work in our sheet metal manufacturing facility. Applicants should have their high school diploma or equivalent, be able to comply with appropriate dress and safety protocols for a manufacturing environment and pass an arithmetic screening and pre-employment drug screening. Apply in person at Greene Galvanized Stairs, 41774 Main St., East Lynn, Mon – Fri, 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

KSI in Cissna Park is seeking a qualified Controls Technician for project site startups and in-field customer training for controls systems. The ideal candidate will possess excellent communication, electrical, technical, and troubleshooting skills. An understanding of PLCs and HMI applications is preferred. Travel is required. Apply online at www.ksiedge.com or send resume to hr@ksiedge.com.

Vereillon County Animal Shelter is hiring kennel workers, full and part time available! Email ksenydyr@verocounty.org or visit www.verocounty.org/jobs_general.html for an application.

Dogtown Heating, Air, & Plumbing is in search of an experienced HVAC technician to help serve our customers in the area. Pay based on experience. Health insurance, Life insurance, and 2 weeks paid vacation. We have a family atmosphere that serves our customers with honesty and integrity. Email brad.dogtown@gmail.com

United Prairie-Hoopeston has openings for Fall help for the following: CDL Drivers and Non-CDL. Please pick up applications at 18978 E 3505 North Rd., Hoopeston, IL 60942. For more information, please call the office, 217-888-0164 or Jordan Reese, manager, 217-918-2876.


Cade’s Heating and Air HVAC installer/service tech. must have valid IL drivers license and EPA freon license. Please send resume to ramsaco@frontier.com or 101 E Penn St., Hoopeston IL 60942.

Private in home caregiver 5 days/week from 7 to 11 for female with dementia. Hoopeston area. Must be able to use lift equipment for transfers. Call Tracey at 765 490 9642. May text for contact.

East Lynn Fertilizer is seeking full time and seasonal help. Requirements include at least a Class B CDL and ability to pass a drug test. Call 217-375-4225 or stop by 41284 S Main St., East Lynn, IL for more details.

Teasdale Latin Foods has immediate openings on 2nd shift in both Distribution and Manufacturing. Pay to be determined based on experience level. Stop by the Human Resources office at 215 W. Washington Street, Hoopeston, for more detail. Please no phone calls.

Agility Solutions is looking for full-time delivery drivers skilled in efficiency, organization, and flexibility. Delivery Drivers will deliver bottled water and bagged salt to commercial and residential customers and must have knowledge or be willing to learn maintenance operations when not driving. Apply in person at 102 N 1st Street in Hoopeston or call us at 855-692-7824.

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