COVID-19 Daily Update
3 p.m., March 30, 2020

Current Situation Overview – Douglas County
Total Positive Cases: 22
Travel-Related Cases: 17
Local Transmission: 5

Note: A presumptive positive case included in the total through March 27 has been removed after a lab-confirmed negative test.

Age Range: 1 is 10-19, 8 are 20-29, 7 are 30-39, 2 are 40-49, 2 is 50-59, 1 is 60-69, 1 is 70-79
Male – 14; Female - 8

With all cases, Lawrence-Douglas County Public Health epidemiology staff contacts these individuals and orders them to isolate themselves for a minimum of seven days, and if symptoms still persist, to continue isolating until fever free for three days. As part of our investigation, we identify potential contacts who we believe are at high risk for exposure. We then notify and order these individuals to quarantine themselves for 14 days following last exposure, and Public Health staff monitor these individuals for symptoms.

Other Information
• Given we have instances of local transmission in Douglas County, and the likelihood these numbers will increase in coming days, Lawrence-Douglas County Public Health, LMH Health, Douglas County and the City of Lawrence have activated what is known as a Unified Command under the National Incident Management System to strengthen our response to the COVID-19 pandemic. We are all working closely with the cities of Eudora, Baldwin City and Lecompton in addition to schools and universities, law enforcement agencies, first responders, human service providers and others to protect the safety, health and well-being of all Douglas County residents and to provide critical services.

• In recent weeks, the Unified Command has taken action to institute social distancing measures in the community and encourage people to stay at home and away from crowds. Right now the best thing the public can do is follow the statewide stay-home order that Gov. Laura Kelly issued that took effect on March 30.

• Individuals or entities who are uncertain whether they perform functions exempted from the prohibitions of the Governor’s order can visit the website, governor.ks.gov/keff, or may email KEFF@ks.gov.

Douglas County residents can also stay informed as information changes frequently. For more information visit LDCHealth.org/Coronavirus or douglascountyks.org/coronavirus.

Note to Media: We will plan to release these daily updates in the afternoon.