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Press Release

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At press time, there is a total of 132 cases of COVID-19 in the Lincoln Trail District. Unfortunately, we must report an additional patient death in Hardin County. Cases were confirmed today in Hardin, Meade, and Nelson Counties. The total number of cases per county is as follows: Hardin—58, LaRue—6, Marion—17, Meade—17, Nelson—29, and Washington—5. Currently, 120 cases are on home isolation or have been released from monitoring. County-level information can be found on the COVID-19 Latest Updates tab at ltdhd.org.

Due to a state partnership with Kroger, COVID-19 drive-thru testing will be available May 12-May 14 at John Hardin High School located at 384 W A Jenkins Road, Elizabethtown. The site will be open for testing from 8:30 am -5:30 pm. Visit kycovid19.ky.gov to register for an appointment. The COVID-19 test will be a self-administered nasal swab. Clients will be required to remain in their own vehicles. A trained medical volunteer will observe to ensure the sample is taken correctly. There are no out-of-pocket costs for testing. Results can take anywhere from two to five days.

The period between obtaining a test and receiving results is critical. Individuals could potentially expose others if they are infected with COVID-19. The following preventive measures should be taken while awaiting results:

- If a health provider deems that you need a test or you are sick enough to seek testing, you should isolate at home while awaiting your results.
- While isolating at home, take steps to protect others who are in your household. Practice physical distancing (6 feet or more apart) from your loved ones and pets. Ensure that you cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Disinfect all high touch surfaces such as counters, tabletops, doorknobs, bathroom fixtures, toilets, and sinks.
- If you test negative for COVID-19, you probably were not infected at the time your sample was collected. However, that does not mean you will not get sick. The test result only means that you did not have COVID-19 at the time of testing.