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Johnson County Department of Health and Environment offers drive-thru COVID-19 testing for Johnson County residents on May 29

JOHNSON COUNTY, KAN. (May 25, 2020) – Johnson County, Kansas residents over the age of 18, with or without symptoms of coronavirus, can get a free COVID-19 test on Friday, May 29 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., or until supplies run out, at the College Boulevard Activity Center, 11031 S. Valley Road in Olathe.

The Johnson County Department of Health and Environment (JCDHE) is offering the drive-thru testing clinic on a first-come, first-served basis. Residents should bring a driver's license, but it's not required to be tested, and be in line no later than 1 p.m. Traffic should enter the testing clinic off of Lone Elm Road and 107th Street and follow the signs.

"By testing a wide range of people, with and without symptoms, we can find out who in the community is infected with COVID-19 and put appropriate protective measures in place to stop transmission of the virus," said Dr. Sanmi Areola, director of the department.

Those who arrive for testing should remain in their vehicles with the windows rolled up until it's time for their test. Testing involves using a swab to take a sample from inside the nose.

This is the department's fifth community testing event and is part of the county's overall strategy to broadly test Johnson County residents. More information about the county's testing efforts can be found at www.jocogov.org/coronavirus.

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MEDIA STAGING

The media staging area is located at the corner of S. Roundtree Street and S. Valley Road (just west of the testing site). JCDHE representatives will be available for interviews at the staging area from 9-10 a.m. Please call the JCDHE media line at 913-477-8436 to schedule an interview.

