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Franklin County Moves into Phase Three

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FRANKLIN COUNTY, KS – The Board of Franklin County Commissioners through guidance of the Public Health Officer, Dr. Bud Ransom, has agreed to move forward with the State’s Ad Astra Plan and move into Phase Three on Monday, June 8, 2020. Officials will continue to evaluate the situation with plans to move to the Phase Out portion of the Ad Astra Plan on June 22, 2020.

As a part of Phase Three, mass gatherings of more than 45 individuals are prohibited. All businesses, activities and venues, including swimming pools, may open if they can maintain at least six feet of social distance between individuals or groups, follow fundamental cleaning and public health practices, and avoid instances in which the mass gathering limit is exceeded and individuals are unable to maintain 6 feet of social distance with only infrequent or incidental moments of closer proximity.

It is recommended that organizations planning an event over the summer months that will attract more than 45 people should work with the Franklin County Health Department to implement a plan to protect the health and safety of individuals who will be in attendance at the event. Please contact Nick Robbins at the Health Department (785) 229-3530.

The Franklin County Historic Courthouse will resume normal business hours of 8am to 4:30pm on Monday, June 8. We would like to apologize to the citizens who have been trying to contact the Motor Vehicle Department of the Treasurer’s Office. This office has been inundated with phone calls and emails. The Franklin County Administration team is working diligently with the Treasurer’s Office to resolve this issue.

For the foreseeable future, the daily Franklin County COVID-19 update will now be published Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays with exception of when necessary to provide timely information on other days. Individuals are still strongly encouraged to wear masks in public settings, maintain 6 feet of social distance, and practice frequent hand-hygiene.

For updates and more information go to: covid.ks.gov and/or www.franklincoks.org/covid19 or contact Franklin County Communications Director Kaci Brady – kbrady@franklincoks.org