

**NEWS RELEASE**

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**Township officials to follow lead of two county public health districts**

THE WOODLANDS, TEXAS (March 6, 2020) – As news begin to spread throughout Southeast Texas regarding the Coronavirus the past couple of days, The Woodlands Township has been in close contact with the two public county health districts that have jurisdiction in these matters. Public health and human services for residents and visitors of The Woodlands Township are directed by Montgomery County Public Health District and Harris County Public Health District. The Woodlands Township organization will continue to follow the lead of both these organizations in implementing protocols for public spaces and in messaging to the community.

Following the lead of federal, state and local health officials, The Woodlands Township encourages visitors and our local residents to be aware of basic best practices and discuss a plan for your family and business continuity to implement in the event that the region is exposed to the virus and additional measures are implemented by the CDC, the Texas Department of State Health Service, Montgomery County Public Health District, Harris County Public Health District or local school districts.

Here are important links regarding the coronavirus:

Montgomery County Public Health District

<https://mcpfd-tx.org/>

Press release from Montgomery County Public Health District: <http://thewoodlandstowtnship-tx.gov/ArchiveCenter/ViewFile/Item/9913>

Montgomery County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

<https://mctxoem.org/>

Harris County Public Health District

<http://www.hcphtx.org/Resources/2019-Novel-Coronavirus>

Harris County Office of Emergency Management

<https://www.readyharris.org/>

Texas Department of State Health Services

<https://www.dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>



Conroe ISD

<https://www.conroeisd.net/department/health-services/2019-novel-coronavirus/>

Tomball ISD

[https://www.tomballisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC\\_ID=307639&type=d&pREC\\_ID=1843043](https://www.tomballisd.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=307639&type=d&pREC_ID=1843043)

Magnolia ISD

[https://www.magnoliaisd.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC\\_ID=256217&type=d&pREC\\_ID=1844196](https://www.magnoliaisd.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=256217&type=d&pREC_ID=1844196)

Tips and advice from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) include:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

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