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**FINNEY COUNTY TO MOVE TO PHASE 1.5**

Finney County, Kansas – Today, Finney County Commissioners voted 4-1 for Finney County to move to Phase 1.5 with the rest of the state of Kansas as outlined by Governor Kelly. Phase 1.5 begins immediately with the signing of this local health order. The Finney County Health Officer and Local Board of Health will review COVID-19 positive case data, hospitalization data, and COVID-19 related death data within the next two weeks and determine the next best course of action.

Phase 1.5 differs from Phase 1 in the following way, as outlined by the Governor’s Office:

What is allowed in Phase 1.5	What is still NOT allowed in Phase 1.5
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All businesses allowed in Phase One with outlined social distancing, mass gathering restrictions, and public health restrictions.</li> <li>• Nail salons, barber shops, hair salons, tanning salons, tattoo parlors and other personal service businesses where close contact cannot be avoided may open, but only for pre-scheduled appointments or online check-in;</li> <li>• Fitness centers and health clubs may open, but in-person group classes may not occur, and locker rooms must be closed except as necessary to use restroom facilities.</li> <li>• In-person commencement or graduation ceremonies may occur with no more than 10 individuals in a room, gymnasium, or facility at one time so long as 6-foot social distancing is maintained. Outdoor drive-through graduation ceremonies during which no more than 10 individuals are in the same area outside of their vehicles at a time (i.e. school administration, graduate, family members, etc.) are allowed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bars and night clubs, excluding already operating curbside and carryout services;</li> <li>• Non-tribal casinos;</li> <li>• Theatres, museums, and other indoor leisure spaces (trampoline parks, arcades, etc.);</li> <li>• Community centers</li> <li>• Outdoor and indoor large entertainment venues with capacity of 2,000 or more;</li> <li>• Fairs, festivals, carnivals, parades;</li> <li>• Swimming pools (other than backyard pools);</li> <li>• Organized sports facilities, sports tournaments, sports games, and sports practices;</li> <li>• Summer camps.</li> </ul>

For a full table of Phase 1.5 as applied in Finney County, go to <https://www.finneycounty.org/778/Re-Open-Plans>.

All Finney County residents, organizations, and businesses must abide by the restrictions in Phase 1.5. In order for businesses to open, they must follow social distancing requirements and cleaning and public health practices detailed on [www.covid.ks.gov](http://www.covid.ks.gov). Please continue to take preventative actions for your own health and safety and that of our community. Wash your hands regularly for 20 seconds with soap and water. When in public spaces, wear a cloth facemask and practice socially distancing by staying six (6) feet away from other people. Disinfect frequently used items, such as your phone and keys often, and when returning home from public spaces.

If you are experiencing a fever, chills, muscle aches, joint pain, sore throat, cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, new onset of loss of taste or smell, or diarrhea, please contact the local COVID-19 hotline at (620) 272-3600, Monday-Saturday 8:00 AM-5:00 PM.