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03-27-2020: RUTHERFORD COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE

There have been zero positive cases of COVID-19 in Rutherford County.

- 102 individuals tested
- 61 tests are negative
- 41 tests are pending
- 0 tests are positive

Rutherford County may not have any confirmed COVID-19 cases, but it can still be here. Surgeon General, Dr. Jerome Adams, US Surgeon General stated "Everyone needs to act as if they have the virus right now. So, test or no test, we need you to understand you could be spreading it to someone else. Or you could be getting it from someone else. Stay at home." If you have been tested you must quarantine yourself until the Health Department receives your lab results. The Emergency Operations Center encourages all citizens to practice social distancing and shelter at home whenever possible. If you are symptomatic (fever, cough, shortness of breath) please call the COVID-19 Medical Screening Hotline at (828) 289-1185. To receive daily local COVID alerts, please text your zip code to 888777.

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