



Coronavirus (COVID-19) **Situation Report:** May 5, 2020

**National/State Situation Update:**

Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): [website](#)

Pennsylvania State Department of Health: [website](#)

PA Dept. of Health: Hospital Preparedness Dashboard (Impacts PA reopening decisions) [LINK](#)

Delaware County: [website](#); Interactive Delaware County COVID-19 Maps, click [LINK](#)

Williamson College of the Trades, Coronavirus update: [website](#)

John Hopkins University COVID-19 Resource Center: [LINK](#)

Positive COVID-19 cases in: National: (as of 5:00 pm EST): 1,172,670 (rise of 21,824 from 5/4)

PA (as of 5:00 pm EST): 50,957 (rise of **865** since 5/4)

Delaware County (as of 5:00 pm EST): 4,326 (rise of **70** since 5/4)

**College Policy Guidance Update:** (College Recovery Phase: **RED**)

- If you need to visit campus, please coordinate with Mr. Corey Jackson at (610) 308-9975 or email: [cjackson@williamson.edu](mailto:cjackson@williamson.edu)

**Significant Federal, State, or County Policy Changes:**

PA Recovery Phase: **RED** Delaware County Recovery Phase: **RED**

- **NEW:** To continue to limit the spread of COVID-19, Governor Wolf provided guidance today (5/5) that details procedures businesses must follow to conduct in-person operations in counties slated to move to the yellow phase of reopening on May 8. All businesses, including non-profits, permitted to conduct in-person operations are subject to this guidance. For more information, please see this [LINK](#). For the specific guidance, please see this [LINK](#).

Please note Delaware and surrounding counties are not slated to move to YELLOW on May 8<sup>th</sup>

- **NEW:** Nearly one million voters have applied for a mail-in ballot for the June 2 primary election, Governor Wolf announced today. Registered voters have until 5:00 PM, May 26 to apply for a mail-in or absentee ballot and until 8:00 PM on election day to return their voted ballot. Voters who applied for a ballot before the change of election date do not need to apply again, but voters whose address has changed should contact their county election office. For more information, see this [LINK](#)
- With the surge in people seeking unemployment compensation, PA Labor & Industry Secretary Jerry Oleksiak today (4/30) offered six tips to help Pennsylvanians more quickly receive benefits. To access the Secretary's press release outlining the recommended steps, please see this [LINK](#)
- **NEW: Delaware County:** Delaware County Council is inviting members of the community to create cards, letters and signs to be delivered to staff and residents at long-term care facilities across the county. For more information, including where to send the cards, signs, and letters, see this [LINK](#)

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- Delaware County: The Delaware County Council issued a statement today outlining the county's reopening strategy in alignment with the Governor's guidance. Within the statement was a breakdown of the county's current COVID-19 transmission rate:

“While the [Governor's] plan made clear it wasn't the only metric that would be looked at, the most prominent was a target of 50 or fewer new cases total over a 14-day period for every 100,000 population. For Delaware County, this would translate to roughly an average of 20 new cases per day over 14 days. By comparison, this past week we saw an average of 139 new cases per day, versus the target of 20. And since the threat in one county easily crosses to neighboring counties, a similar population-adjusted target would also have to be reached in our neighboring counties for a partial lifting of the shutdown to occur in the Philadelphia region.

### **Upcoming Events at the College:**

- Wednesday (5/6) at 12:30 pm: **Weekly Chapel Service**. To access the online service on Go-to-Meeting, please select this link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/487649933>. You can also join by phone at (571) 317-3112, Access Code: 487-649-933
- Wednesday (5/6) at 1:00 pm: **Weekly Update Teleconference**: Dial in Information: Phone #: (201) 616-0673; Passcode: 33519

### **Additional Items of Interest**

- **NEW**: PA Unemployment: Individuals filing for unemployment benefits have reported long delays in receiving a PIN. The Office of Unemployment Compensation is advising claimants that if they do not receive a PIN within three weeks, they should complete a PIN Reset Request online ([LINK](#)). Once applicants receive their PIN, they can file for all missed weeks dating back to the first missed week of work. More information on the Unemployment Compensation system, please see this [LINK](#).
- **NEW**: PennDOT announced last week that Pennsylvanians who have an expiring driver license, photo identification card or learner's permit will have more time to renew them. Any of these items scheduled to expire from March 16, 2020 through May 31, 2020, are now extended through June 30, 2020. While PennDOT's Driver License & Photo License Centers remain closed due to the COVID-19, many services can still be completed online. For more information, please see this [LINK](#)
- **NEW**: A limited number of state park and forest facilities are scheduled to reopen in the days and weeks ahead. The openings include at least one restroom in day-use areas in state parks, forests and marinas effective May 8; all nine marinas in state parks effective May 8 unless otherwise designated; and all three public golf courses in the system. State park facilities in counties in the yellow phase of reopening will also be open to the public beginning on May 15. For more information, see this [LINK](#)
- **NEW**: A library of very inspiring articles and information in working through the COVID-19 crisis can be found at this [LINK](#) (thanks Tom Wisneski). The April 28 entry is noteworthy on navigating different COVID-19 Recovery Convictions.
- **NEW**: A very interesting article was provided from Lesley today on the 1918 Flu epidemic. Interesting the parallels from over 100 years ago. To access the article, please see this [LINK](#). Thanks Lesley.