

Good evening everyone,

I have again attached the information regarding State testing eligibility and the drive-thru site at NCCC with the number to call to preregister. This is an in-take line, so the caller will give their info to a rep and will then get a call back from the State Dept of Health with their appointment info. Encourage people to call, even if they aren't sure they will meet the requirements. The more people we can get tested, the better. And, because we haven't been told how long they will stay, it is likely going to be determined by the demand they are seeing.

As Director Stapleton told us, there will also now be COVID-19 testing available on Thursdays by Community Health Center on Highland Ave in Niagara Falls. They will be working with Quest and will have a van in the parking lot. Testing is by appointment only and the contact is Trinetta Alston at 986-9199 ext. 5907. No indication of how long this will go on, but they say they have ample test kits. This is great news, as we know Niagara Falls has had our highest number of positive tests throughout the County (makes sense in a more densely populated area) and Mayor Restaino has been working hard to get more testing in the City!

Also, I did not mention, but today our Director of Employment & Training, Don Jablonski, joined me on the live broadcast to discuss his team and the help they can give in connecting employers/job seekers during the COVID-19 pandemic. His department is working remotely, but still able to offer job listings, training information, etc at 278-8148 or on <http://www.worksource1.com/> Encourage residents to reach out if they are currently out of work and looking for openings.

Mayor Pappas - saw this and thought of you. Cancellations have begun, as we expected...
<https://www.wkbw.com/news/coronavirus/plans-change-for-local-fireworks-celebrations>

Thanks everyone. Take care and talk to you Friday,
Becky