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Tazewell County Food Establishment Updates

Tazewell County Health Department is working to communicate guidance with food establishments in our area. Under the current restrictions that have been announced for food establishments by the Illinois Governor's Office, the requirements and recommendations include:

- **Dining in or allowing customers into the physical establishment will NOT be allowed.**
- Food service options that will be allowed:
 - Drive thru windows that have been in place physically before this restriction.
 - Delivery to customers directly to their homes.
 - Curb side service at your establishments. Customers' orders may be taken over the phone, internet/social media or by fax. Designated staff can deliver the order to the car. *It is highly recommended that payments be electronic (if possible), as money can still have respiratory droplets spread from customers.*
 - Limited interaction with customers should include personal hygiene to include: effective hand washing, use of hand antiseptics (not in replacement of hand washing) and the use of gloves as barriers. Change gloves between each individual interaction with customers.
- **If you chose to cease all food service operations**, notification of reopening must be provided to our office 24 hours before opening to the public.
 - Click on this link to submit your information to reopen:
<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=pviBkHG6PEu6OZPRNwkEGmpDvkrXmThCk5vg3jjPZZhUNFpGM1JUM0tJTDJVVkhHNkhaRTNRTDkyWS4u->
 - Food establishments currently permitted by this office will be honored if reopen in 2020.
 - There will not be re-inspection fees for reopening.
 - Facilities currently under enforcement per our ordinance will remain in that process.

If you have questions, please submit to Environmental Health food@tchd.net.

For more information on public health issues, visit <http://www.tazewellhealth.org>

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