

# Press Release

Hamilton County Health Department



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## Health Department and Hamilton County Schools Announce Potential COVID-19 Exposures at Central High School and Hixson High School Graduations

HAMILTON COUNTY, TN - The Hamilton County Health Department, in partnership with Hamilton County Schools, is notifying the community about potential COVID-19 exposures that occurred at the Central High School and Hixson High School graduations this past Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup>.

Case investigations have revealed that each event had a person in attendance while in their infectious period. In both incidences, the individual was an audience member and sat in the stands. They were not students on the field. It is recommended that anyone who attended these events get tested and monitor their symptoms. For a link to COVID-19 symptoms, visit [CDC](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing).

[Free Health Department testing opportunities](#) are available each day this week through Friday from 7AM to 11AM at Brainerd High School.

Health Department testing sites will be closed Saturday and Sunday for the holiday weekend and will resume testing the following week at East Lake Academy.

“We can’t stress enough how vital it is to stay at home if you are sick,” said Health Department Administrator Becky Barnes, “If you are having any respiratory symptoms or you have tested positive, stay home, do not go out into public.”

For more information, please call the Health Department’s COVID-19 hotline at (423) 209-8383. Do not call Hamilton County Schools for information related to COVID-19 exposures.

Visit these additional Health Department COVID-19 resources:

- COVID-19 hotline: (423) 209-8383
- English Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/HamiltonTNHealthDept/>
- Spanish Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/SaludHamiltonTN/>
- Press Briefings: <https://www.youtube.com/user/HamiltonCountyTN>
- YouTube English: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCKf8VUBQFLiJoxh8Sk10mA>
- YouTube Spanish: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCwHuLpBFuLOf6hDTCFbfyQ>
- COVID-19 Testing Calendar: [http://health.hamiltontn.org/AllServices/Coronavirus\(COVID-19\)/HealthDepartmentAffiliatedFREETestingSitesinHamiltonCounty.aspx](http://health.hamiltontn.org/AllServices/Coronavirus(COVID-19)/HealthDepartmentAffiliatedFREETestingSitesinHamiltonCounty.aspx)
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