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Nearly 300 local students are quarantined

Estill students have been in school less than two weeks, and about 280 of them have been quarantined. There are approximately 2,400 students in the district.

Twenty-two students have tested positive for the virus, according to Elizabeth Walling, administrator of the Estill County Health Department.

Walling added that seven or eight staff members have also tested positive for the virus. She explained that three of them will not appear on the covid in-

formation for the Estill County, because they reside in other counties.

She added the health department is working very closely with the school district to come up with a plan which follows CDC guidelines.

Walling advocates everyone wear masks and get shots. She stated Monday that she has a family member on the ventilator who was not vaccinated.

When school began on August 5, students were required by federal law to wear masks on school buses. Last week,

Gov. Andy Beshear required masks for all staff, students, and visitors to schools.

Walling said 130 students were vaccinated during the last school year, but not all received their second shot.

The health department will be in schools this Thursday to give shots again, but Walling said that only 12 students have been scheduled for shots.

She stated the health department is also offering free covid testing for school staff and students.

Many parents went on social media

and asked that students be placed on Non-Traditional Instruction (NTI), and Supt. Jeff Saylor responded with an explanation to them last week on Facebook.

His message said that any days missed must be made-up. The school district does not have unlimited NTI days this year.

A few parents have said they were removing their children from public school and home schooling them.

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Covid Cases

August 16

Active 67	26 more cases from
9 of Those Were Fully Vaccinated	Fri. through Mon.
Recovered 1266	38 active cases
Deaths 14	Aug. 9
Total 1347	Info Estill Co. Health Dept.

Concerned citizens group wants mandatory pick-up of garbage in Estill County

Members of the Concerned Citizens of Estill County attended the Fiscal Court meeting on Monday to once again ask for mandatory garbage pickup in the county. Both cities have mandatory pickup.

Tom Hart, chairman of Estill County Concerned Citizens, stated this will reduce the trash along roadways.

"It doesn't eliminate trash on the road," stated Judge/Executive Donnie Watson.

He said the new solid waste coordinator, Chad Smith, has made progress in cleaning up the roadsides and illegal dumps. He wanted to see how that works.

"I want to see this cleaned up, if we can work it out another way," Watson stated.

He added that he was

not for putting more ordinances on the people.

Tom Bonny said we had the most beautiful place to live in.

"It's something we need to take care of, our world," Bonny added. "Let's take this seriously and do something."

Pat Banks, a Kentucky River Keeper, said Estill County needs to think of the people downstream.

Jack Stickney mentioned that Irvine receives free tipping fees at the landfill. He suggested the county look into receiving them also.

Irvine receives the free fees because they test the leachate water for the landfill.

Watson said he has been told that if a person does not pay with mandatory pickup, the county has to pay the bill.

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Clayton Hedge aka Capt. Clay entertained patrons of the Estill Farmers Market on Friday.



Bobby Crowe played dulcimer music at the farmer's market on Friday. The market is open 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. each week. There will be a locally-owned food truck there this Friday.

Irvine council grants privilege license for Red River Tattoo Co.

The Irvine Council set property tax rates and gave approval for a tattoo parlor during a special meeting on Monday.

The council adopted a compensating tax rate, which is expected to give them approximately the same tax revenues the city received last year.

The rate may be slightly different from last year's because it is based on assessments on property.

This year's rate on real estate will be .469 and tangible is .550.

The privilege license was granted to Rebekka Early to operate "Red River Tattoo Co., LLC."

Mayor James Gross said it will be located in the rear part of a busi-

ness at 99 River Drive.

He also stated that Early had a tattoo parlor in Owsley County which she moved to Lee County. It got flooded so she is now relocating to Irvine.

A second reading was given to amend the budget which just took effect on July 1. The budget was amended to include \$297,543.90 in revenues received.

Councilman Tim Burkhart asked that second reading to abolish a utility commission ordinance be tabled until further research was done.

"Is that the one that deals primarily with electricity or IMU as well?" he asked.

The Irvine Council will not meet next Monday.

Obituaries

- Cordella Angel, 82**
- Sam Brewer, 80**
- Edna Cusick, 93**
- Dewey Chism, 55**
- Clarence Hunt, 66**
- Thelma Mills, 83**
- Pamela Richardson, 62**
- James E. Rose, 88**
- Angela Stamper, 41**
- Sonya Sutton, 42**

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Gerald and Angela Flynn brought fresh vegetables to the Estill County Farmers Market on Friday evening. On most weekdays, you will find Gerald with fresh vegetables on the Richmond Road beside Burger Barn.