



# TEXAS JUVENILE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT

## **Update on COVID-19 at TJJD Facilities** **Four new cases among youth have been confirmed** **Two new cases among staff have also been confirmed**

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AUSTIN—The Texas Juvenile Justice Department provided the following updates today related to COVID-19:

- Two youth at the Evins Regional Juvenile Center, in Edinburg, tested positive for COVID-19 today. These are the first youth to test positive at that facility.
- Two youth at one of TJJD's halfway houses tested positive for COVID-19 today. Two additional youth are awaiting testing. These are the first youth to test positive at a halfway house.
- Two Youth Development Coaches at the Evins Regional Juvenile Center tested positive for COVID-19 today.
- The youth who have tested positive for COVID-19 all remain on campus for treatment.
- As of today, TJJD has administered a total of 242 COVID-19 tests to youth.

Since the start of the pandemic, 25 staff members at the agency's secure facilities have tested positive for COVID-19:

**Evins Regional Juvenile Center: 13**  
**Gainesville State School: 3**  
**Giddings State School: 8**  
**McLennan County State Juvenile Correctional Facility: 0**  
**Ron Jackson State Juvenile Correctional Complex: 1**

Since the start of the pandemic, 16 youth at the agency's secure facilities have tested positive for COVID-19:

**Evins Regional Juvenile Center: 2**  
**Gainesville State School: 8**  
**Giddings State School: 6**  
**McLennan County State Juvenile Correctional Facility: 0**  
**Ron Jackson State Juvenile Correctional Complex: 0**

For more information about the agency's response to COVID-19, please visit the [TJJD website](#).

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