



TEXAS JUVENILE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT

Update on COVID-19 at TJJD Facilities

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

- 3 staff members at the Gainesville State School have tested positive for COVID-19. Two cases were confirmed last night, and the third case was confirmed this afternoon.
- 5 Youth Development Coaches and 1 staff member at the McLennan County State Juvenile Correctional Facility, in Mart, tested positive for COVID-19 this afternoon. These results were part of campus-wide testing after the Thanksgiving holiday.
- 1 staff member at a TJJD halfway house tested positive for COVID-19 this afternoon.

Since the start of the pandemic, 250 staff members at the agency's secure facilities have tested positive for COVID-19:

Evins Regional Juvenile Center: 73
Gainesville State School: 20
Giddings State School: 47
McLennan County State Juvenile Correctional Facility: 50
Ron Jackson State Juvenile Correctional Complex: 60

Since the start of the pandemic, 247 youth at the agency's secure facilities have tested positive for COVID-19:

Evins Regional Juvenile Center: 45
Gainesville State School: 13
Giddings State School: 89
McLennan County State Juvenile Correctional Facility: 72
Ron Jackson State Juvenile Correctional Complex: 28

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

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