

COVID cases increase in Atchison Co

**(KAIR)--The number of confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 continues to increase in Atchison County.**

**The Atchison County Health Department on Tuesday reported 281 positive cases since the pandemic began, with two individuals currently hospitalized. The Department reports 43 active cases.**

**The county has seen a 62 virus case increase since August 28.**

**Benedictine College in Atchison on Tuesday reported 17 active cases, which represents 0.7 percent of the campus population.**

**The college and Atchison County Health Department last Friday announced a joint agreement for enhanced COVID-19 mitigation efforts at the college, which is effective until September 18.**

**The agreement avoids a quarantine order restricting students to their dorm rooms and allows for the continuation of in-person classes.**

**Atchison County Health Officer Lori Forge on September 2nd issued a proposed quarantine order for the college in response to an increase in COVID cases at the college.**

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