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An employee of Douglas County Youth Center tests positive for COVID-19

Douglas County officials recently confirmed that an employee of the Douglas County Youth Center has tested positive for COVID-19.

Prior to the start of the employee's overnight shift on May 17, 2020, the employee's temperature check was normal. The following day, the employee was not feeling well and called in sick.

The employee did not have contact with any of the youth at the Youth Center. All employees who had close contact with this employee are in self-isolation at home. Families of all youth who were at the Youth Center at the time were contacted.

The Douglas County Youth Center began screening all employees for COVID-19 related symptoms, including temperature checks, on March 17, 2020.

The Douglas County Youth Center has 142 employees. As of today, there are 77 youth at the Youth Center.

"The health and safety of our kids and staff at the Douglas County Youth Center is our utmost concern," said Brad Alexander, superintendent of the Douglas County Youth Center. "We are thankful our employee notified us immediately upon becoming symptomatic."