

SOUTH

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children in Texas.

Measles is caused by a highly contagious virus that's airborne and spreads easily when an infected person breathes, sneezes or coughs. A vaccine can prevent it.

Measles first infects the respiratory tract, then spreads throughout the body, causing a high fever, runny nose, cough, red, watery eyes and a rash. Most people recover, but infection can lead to dangerous complications such as pneumonia, blindness, brain swelling and death.

The CDC defines an outbreak as three or more related cases.

HOW MANY MEASLES CASES ARE THERE IN SOUTH CAROLINA?

South Carolina has logged 789 cases as of Tuesday in an outbreak centered in Spartanburg County. Officials confirmed 89 new

cases since Friday.

The outbreak has rapidly grown in the last month to the worst in the nation. Hundreds of children across dozens of schools have been quarantined because of measles exposures, some more than once. The outbreak has also spread to North Carolina and Ohio.

HOW MANY MEASLES CASES ARE THERE IN UTAH AND ARIZONA?

Health officials are still responding to an outbreak in an area nicknamed Short Creek — the border towns of Hildale, Utah, and Colorado City, Arizona.

Arizona health officials have documented 222 in Mohave County, and in recent days a small number of cases were detected for the first time in Maricopa, Pima and Pinal counties. Utah officials have confirmed 216 cases, 55 of them in the past three weeks.

Experts in both states have said they are concerned about undercounts.

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO

KNOW ABOUT THE MMR VACCINE?

The best way to avoid measles is to get the measles, mumps and rubella vaccine. The first shot is recommended for children between 12 and 15 months old and the second between 4 and 6 years old.

After two doses, the shot is 97% effective against measles and its protection is considered lifelong.



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NORTH MCLEAN COUNTY WATER DISTRICT PUBLIC NOTICE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

North McLean County Water District will be accepting requests for proposals for **Hwy 431 and Hwy 81 Tank Maintenance** until 1:00 p.m., prevailing time on February 12, 2026, at the North McLean County Water District office located at 217 Hill Street, Livermore, KY 42352; Attention: Michael Latham, Superintendent, at which time, all proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Request for Proposal packet may be obtained from North McLean County Water District, 217 Hill Street, Livermore, KY 42352. Telephone number (270) 278-2800. The project includes cleaning, repairing, and painting the Hwy 431 and Hwy 81 Water Tanks. North McLean County Water District reserves the right to reject any proposal for failure to comply with all requirements of the request for proposal; however North McLean County Water District may waive any minor defects or informalities at its discretion. Furthermore, North McLean County Water District reserves the right to reject all proposals.

Measles has a harder time spreading through communities with high vaccination rates — above 95% — due to “herd immunity.” But childhood vaccination rates have declined nationwide since the pandemic and more parents are claiming religious or personal conscience waivers to exempt their kids

from required shots.

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LEGAL NOTICE

McLEAN COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS KINDERGARTEN PRE-REGISTRATION

The McLean County School system will hold pre-registration for the first year primary school (Kindergarten) students during the week of February 2nd-6th. Per KRS 158.030, children entering kindergarten must be five years old on or before August 1.

Pre-registration will be held during the hours of 8:30 am-2:30 pm. Please register your child at the school he/she will attend.

Parents are asked to bring their child's birth certificate and social security card, if possible. Before a child can enter school in the fall, parents are required to show the child's social security card, birth certificate, up-to-date Kentucky immunization certificate and records of physical exam within six months prior to the beginning of school. An eye examination by an optometrist or ophthalmologist and a dental examination by a dentist is required no later than January 1 of the school year.



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NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Pollard Management Group of Kentucky, LLC, 483 Lamb Road, Madisonville, Kentucky 42431 has applied for Phase II bond release on Increment 3 of Permit No. 875-8003, which was last issued on 7 January 2026 (Permit No. 875-8003 MI-11). The application covers a total area of 97.0 acres located approximately three miles north of Sacramento in McLean County.

The permit area and this increment are located at the junction of KY 2385 and Whobry Road, and west of Pond Drain.

The bond now in effect for Increment 3 is Bond #SUR0067561 in the amount of \$403,500. Approximately 33.1% (\$133,700) of the current bond amount of \$403,500 is included in the application for release.

For the Phase II release on Increment 3, the following steps have been completed: (1) Revegetation has been established in accordance with the approved reclamation plan and the standards for success of revegetation have been met. (2) The lands are not contributing suspended solids to stream flow or runoff outside the permit area or increment in excess of regulatory requirements. (3) The provisions for sound future management of permanent impoundments have been implemented. These reclamation requirements were completed in September 2025.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement, 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by Friday, 20 March 2026.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for Tuesday, 24 March 2026 at 9:00 A.M. at the Kentucky Department for Natural Resources (KDNR), Madisonville Regional Office, 625 Hospital Drive, Madisonville, Kentucky 42431-1683. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by Friday, 20 March 2026.



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