



On June 28, an employee informed us that a family member whom they'd been in close contact with tested positive for COVID-19. We immediately asked the employee to get tested and self-quarantine. They took a test on June 29 and received the positive results on July 3. We chose to temporarily close Tallula's that day, so we could have the entire restaurant deep-cleaned and sanitized, as well as get all employees tested. You can see our original, full response in a [July 3 Instagram post](#).

Thank you so much for all the well wishes for a speedy recovery for that employee. On July 4, the employee who previously tested positive was tested again and received a negative result. As of today, all employees who have received their test results back have been negative, so we will be safely re-opening tomorrow, July 7 for takeout and delivery-only, and adding back outside dining on Friday, July 10.

While we can't control what employees are exposed to outside of our restaurants, we can put very strong protective measures in place to make sure those who are exposed aren't coming to work, and that our restaurant environments are clean and safe, in order to prevent spread of the virus.

We continue to conduct daily temperature and health assessments with each employee before they start their shift. For example, our questionnaire helps determine if anyone potentially came in contact with someone who has recently tested positive for COVID-19. Also, the LA County Department of Public Health safety, health and cleanliness protocol, as well as our own additional steps, are very strict. They're put in place for the purpose of isolating and preventing those who are potentially positive, whether it's an employee or guest, from spreading and infecting each other. You can read our full, internal COVID-19 Playbook, that we shared with all employees back in mid-May, on our Rustic Canyon Family [website](#).

We're so grateful that everyone at Tallula's is healthy and we're so happy to feed you all again!

Love, The Rustic Canyon Family