

We just confirmed that unfortunately an employee at Tallula's has tested positive for COVID-19. The last shift that employee worked was Sunday, June 28. On Monday, June 29, that employee found out that a family member they had spent some time with tested positive for COVID-19. That employee immediately called and alerted us, so we instructed them to stay home and wait until their own test results came back before returning to work. That employee notified us today (Friday, July 3) that they tested positive for COVID-19.

Out of an abundance of caution, we are closing Tallula's until further notice, so we can have the restaurant professionally and thoroughly disinfected and sanitized, in accordance with guidelines outlined by the CDC and local health authorities. Our entire staff, regardless of whether or not they were in close proximity with that employee, are getting tested as an extra precautionary measure. We won't resume operations until everyone has their results come back in.

We're regularly checking in on this employee to ensure they have everything they need to recover. Additionally, our staff has full healthcare benefits (since 2014) and paid sick time. For those who test positive for COVID-19, they get an additional two weeks of paid sick leave, per the Families First Coronavirus Response Act.

As many of you who know us and are regulars at our restaurants, the wellbeing and safety of our beloved employees and guests is our #1 priority. The safety, health and cleanliness protocol we have in all our restaurants is very strict and is put in place for the purposes of isolating and preventing those who are potentially positive, whether it's an employee or guest, from spreading and infecting each other. All of our employees, including the one who tested positive, are extremely diligent when it comes to following all LA County Department of Public Health guidelines and our group's additional safety measures, including consistent, proper use of Personal Protective Equipment.

We'll be sure to share any updates on our website and social media, and you can also e-mail us at sharing@rcrestaurants.com with any questions or concerns. Thank you so much for your continued support and we look forward to re-opening once we've fully determined it's healthy and safe for all.

Love, The Rustic Canyon Family