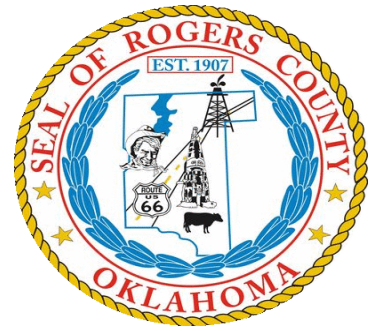


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## **Requirements and Procedures for Entrance to Courthouse Beginning May 18**

In response to the expected influx of visitors to the Courthouse when the Rogers County District Courts reopen on Monday, May 18, the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) is announcing new building access requirements that will be in place until further notice.

- 1. Face Covering Required to Enter:** At the direction of the CDC and the Oklahoma Supreme Court, everyone will be required to wear a face covering when entering the Courthouse. Face coverings must be worn in all public areas of the building.
- 2. Temperature Check:** Each visitor to the Courthouse will be required to have their temperature checked upon entering. Those with temperatures in excess of 100 degrees or higher will be refused entry.
- 3. Court Participants Only:** Entrance to the courtrooms will be limited to court participants, including attorneys, parties, victims, and witnesses only. Family members or those not directly involved in a court proceeding will be prohibited from entering the Courthouse. For questions relating to or additional information regarding court procedures, please see AO-2020-20 or contact appropriate court personnel.
- 4. Social-Distancing:** Please follow CDC guidelines and follow social distancing rules, allowing at least six feet between you and other visitors. Elevators will be limited to two visitors at one time.

The BOCC is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the Rogers County Courthouse and has exclusive control over public access. However, the BOCC is not responsible for Court Operations. Any and all procedures outlined in District Courts' Administrative Order(s), and stipulated by the Oklahoma Supreme Court, must be followed when entering Courtrooms.

