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NEW RIVER VALLEY PUBLIC HEALTH TASK FORCE HOSTS INTERACTIVE, ONLINE TOWN HALL ON COVID-19 AND EDUCATION (K-12)

(CHRISTIANSBURG, Virginia) – The New River Valley Public Health Task Force will host an interactive, virtual town hall on COVID-19 and impacts on education (kindergarten through grade 12) on Wednesday, June 3 from 6 to 7 p.m. All area residents are invited to participate.

This is the fifth in a six-week series of town halls. Each has a specific focus and features a panel of local experts, who will offer remarks and answer questions. This week's panel includes representatives from Radford Public Schools, Floyd, Giles, Montgomery and Pulaski County Public Schools.

The final town hall in the series is Wednesday, June 10 on education (colleges and universities), featuring representatives from New River Community College, Radford University and Virginia Tech.

Submit your questions anytime, as follows:

- In writing at <http://montva.com/NRVtownhall>;
- Record your question by voicemail at 540-391-0385; and
- On Twitter with the hashtag #NRVStrongerTogether.

Written questions can be submitted during each town hall (at <http://montva.com/NRVtownhall>), and will be addressed as time allows.

The town halls stream live at www.youtube.com/montgomeryva, and are archived on YouTube, agency websites and social media, and rebroadcast on local cable access stations including Comcast and Shentel Channel 190 (Christiansburg and Montgomery County) and Comcast Channel 2 (Blacksburg).

The New River Valley Public Health Task Force is composed of local health, public safety, education and government agencies that work to proactively provide local residents and communities with information about COVID-19, to coordinate efforts to reduce its local impact and to facilitate community recovery.

For more information, visit www.montva.com/coronavirus and www.vdh.virginia.gov, or call the New River Health District public health call center at 540-267-8240. Hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Saturday, 8 a.m. to noon and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. After hours, leave a message.

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