

1st Quarter Issues/Programming Listing 2018

Issues Addressed	Program Title	Description	Length	Time/Date
Home Security, tax issues, healthcare, gardening and political issues	View Point Alabama	Weekly Hosted program	30:00min	11pm Every Sunday
Employment, unwanted items, lost and found, and advice.	Trade Line	Hosted local call in show	60:00min	Mon-Sat 10am
Statewide Flu Outbreak	News	Alabama State Health officials urging citizens to get vaccinated and take precautions...	3min 30sec	01/02/18 12:03pm 4:03pm
Bitter cold snap	News	GECEMA Working to find warm clothes for those in need. .	3min 30sec	01/04/18 12:03pm 4:03pm
ADPH On Flu Crisis	News	. Alabama State Health officials advise flu victims to stay home and other advice for prevention	3min 30sec	01/16-18 12:03pm 4:03pm
State Law Changes	News	State Lawmakers pass laws to protect children in smoking cars and youth sports..	3min 30sec	02-01-18 12:03pm 4:03pm
AD of Conservation banning Mississippi Deer	News	Alabama Dept of Conservation calls for ban on deer carcasses from Mississippi for Wasting Disease	3min 30sec	02/14/18 12:03pm 4:03pm
Local High School Finds TB Case	News & Rick Sisk Morning Show	Alabama Dept Of Health plans to test all students K-12 for TB after active case found in a student	3min 30sec	03/06/18 12:03pm 4:03pm

01-02-18 Alabama State Health Office Says Flu Cases Are On The Rise

Alabama Health officials say incidents of the flu are on the rise across the state.

The Alabama Department of Public Health said Friday that flu activity is picking up for the season and urged people to get vaccinated.

The health department said people should request the "quadrivalent vaccine" that protects against four strains of flu.

As it is the only version that protects against the Type B/Yamagata flu strain which is currently circulating in Alabama.

Dr. Burnestine Taylor, medical officer for disease control and prevention for the state health department, said the increased activity is a concern because flu can be a serious disease for anyone.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says Alabama is one of 21 states reporting high flu-like illness activity.

02-14-18 Alabama Dept Of Conservation Bans Deer Carcasses From Mississippi

The Alabama Department conservation department has implemented a ban on the importation of deer carcasses from Mississippi in order to stop the spread of a disease.

A test in January of a 4 year-old buck showed positive signs of Chronic Wasting Disease- a neurological disease that affects deer, elk, and moose and is 100% fatal.

A statement from Alabama Wildlife Section Chief Keith Gauldin says there is no evidence of the disease in Alabama.

And Gauldin asks the public for help to keep the state disease-free.

Hunters can still transport deboned meat, cleaned skulls with antlers, teeth, and tanned hides.

01-16-18 Alabama State Health Official Call Flu A Crisis

Alabama's flu outbreak is a crisis, that's what acting state health officer Scott Harris said Tuesday and he added that hospitals are at near capacity in many counties.

He advises people suffering from the flu to stay home even after they begin feeling better....

(Harris S1 ARN)

Doctors say cover your coughs. wash your hands and get a flu shot if you haven't already done so.

01-04-18 GECEMA Looking For warm Clothing Donations For Children

And with recent bitter cold temps one Etowah County organization has come up with a warm idea.

As The Gadsden Etowah EMA Officer Josh Tanner explains...

(Tanner J3)

Tanner said the effort has already been very successful, but says efforts are now focused on area elementary age children as they plan to distribute those to schools.

(Tanner J4)

Tanner also said that if you can't get them to the office to call the office at 256 549-4575.

03-06-18 Two Wellborn HS Students Test Positive For TB

In Calhoun County, two students from Walter Wellborn High School have tested positive for the germ that causes Tuberculosis.

According to the Alabama Department of Public Health, the students do not have active TB, so they will take preventative treatment for 12 weeks.

The students are neither sick nor contagious, and so the good news is the rest of the school will not have to take preventative measures.

All students and staff of both the high and elementary schools were tested after another student was discovered to have tuberculosis at a visit to the doctor.

02-01-18 Alabama House Passes Smoking In Car Law And Another To Make Youth Sports Safer

In Montgomery this week the Alabama House of Representatives has voted to make it illegal to smoke in a car carrying minors.

The bill introduced by Rep. Rolanda Hollis, a Democrat from Birmingham, will now moves to the Alabama Senate for thier consideration.

And another bill that aims to make youth sports safer also passed in the house,

Alabama regional News Correspondent Jim Ferrity has more...

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