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Sikeston, Missouri - One of area retailers' busiest times of the year is coming soon—Back-to-School shopping accompanied by Missouri's Tax-Free Weekend starting at 12:01am Friday August 4th and will run through Sunday August 6th.

Back-to-School items such as clothing, school supplies, computers and other items defined by the Missouri statute will be exempt from state sales tax. Also, this year the city of Sikeston has elected to join efforts with the state and not require city taxes during this period for these qualifying purchases and Scott County has elected to do the same.

“It is really a great deal for our customers”, says Kyla Evans, Marketing Director for the Sikeston Outlet Stores. “Not only are you getting a great deal on back-to-school items such as clothing and footwear for the entire family, you also pay no tax at all thanks to the City of Sikeston and Scott County!”

According to the Missouri Department of Revenue's website there are a number of cities and counties in the state that are electing to opt out of the tax-free holiday with Cape Girardeau and Poplar Bluff both on that list.

And if the tax-free weekend isn't enough, the **Sikeston Outlet Stores is hosting a "Back-to-School Extravaganza"** on **Saturday, August 5th from 10am-3pm** which will include free activities for the kids to enjoy.

Evans explains, "We are going to have lots of fun during our Back-to-School event! We have split the vendors up into three different zones if you will. First there will be a "Kids' Fun Zone" which will include the Lazy L Petting Zoo and inflatable games plus face painting. Next, we will have a "Kids' Healthy Zone" where our partners at SEMO Health Network, the YMCA of Southeast Missouri and Compassion Church are going to provide free information about their services along with games and healthy snacks and water for the kids. Last, we will have demonstrations by our local Miner Fire and Police Departments along with South Scott County Ambulance District and Midwest Truck in our "Kids' Safety Zone".

Evans states, "We are hoping to not only provide an obvious place for savings during the Back-to-School time, but also a fun experience for the entire family." Food will be on hand to purchase from the Shriners and also Frozen Scoops and More, so plan to make a day out of it!

For more information about the Tax-Free Holiday or Sikeston Outlet Stores Back-to-School Extravaganza, please contact Kyla Evans at 573-472-2222 or check their **Facebook page**.

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"We buy most forms of ferrous and non-ferrous metals, including copper, aluminum, stainless steel, brass, scrap iron, radiators and catalytic converters. Please consult our Scrap Metal Selling Guide to find out more about how to sell scrap metal, and how to get the most money for your scrap metal. The best indication of our success is our loyal customer base. We are nice people with good business practices. We have a very high level of return business, and our new customers often come to us by way of referral."

"Our friendly customer service staff will ensure that your recycling experience is simple and hassle-free. Our modern and streamlined processing system allows us to offer competitive prices. Please contact us today if you would like to inquire about our services."

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## Stoddard County Route FF will be Closed for Pavement Repairs

Route FF in Stoddard County will be closed as Missouri Department of Transportation crews perform pavement repairs.

This section of roadway is located from Route 60 to Route E.

Weather permitting, work will take place Monday, July 31 through Thursday, Aug. 10 from 6 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily. Open for local traffic only.

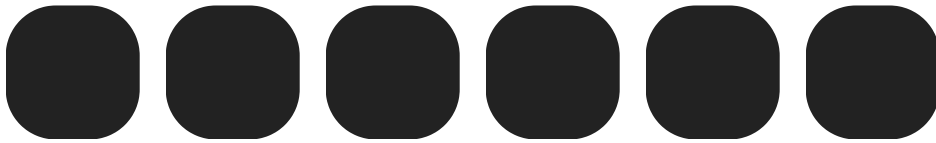
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## Sales Tax Holiday is August 4th - 6th

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Missouri - The annual Sales Tax Holiday is set for Friday, August 4th, Saturday, August 5th, and Sunday, August 6th in Stoddard County.

On these particular days certain back-to-school items such as clothing, school supplies, computers, and various other needed items are exempt from sales tax.

The sales tax holiday applies to state and local sales taxes when a local jurisdiction chooses to participate. However some local jurisdictions choose to not participate in the holiday.

If one or all of your local taxing jurisdictions are not participating in the sales tax holiday, the state's portion of the tax rate (4.255%) will remain exempt for the sale of qualifying sales tax holiday items.

The sales tax exemption is limited to:

1. Clothing - any article having a taxable value of less than \$100. (a fur coat valued at \$250 would not fit in this category)
2. School supplies - not to exceed \$50 per purchase (if you are buying for three children, you might want to get your spouse to go through the line or come back more than one time to get your items)
3. Computer software - taxable value of \$350 or less.
4. Personal computers - not to exceed \$1,500.
5. Computer peripheral devices - not to exceed \$1,500.
6. Graphing Calculators - not to exceed \$150.

Please note:

Clothing is defined as any article of wearing apparel, including footwear, intended to be worn on or about the human body. That does not include watches, watchbands, jewelry, handbags, handkerchiefs, umbrellas, scarves, ties, headbands, or belt buckles.

School supplies are defined as any item normally used by students in a standard classroom for education purposes, including but not limited to, textbooks, notebooks, paper, writing instruments, crayons, art supplies, rulers, book bags, backpacks, handheld calculators, chalk, maps, and globes. The term shall NOT include watches, radios, CD

Players, headphones, sporting equipment, portable or desktop telephones, copiers or other office equipment, furniture, or fixtures.

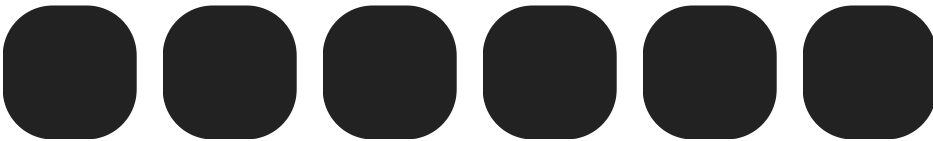
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