

**POLK COUNTY, TEXAS
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Date: March 31, 2026

Time: 4 p.m.

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TEST OF POLK COUNTY EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM



Polk County Emergency Management will participate in a statewide drill for local public warning systems on Thursday, April 2, 2026. As part of the drill, Polk County will send a test alert through AlertMePolkCounty, which delivers notifications by phone, text, and email. Residents must be registered to receive alerts, and can customize alert preferences.

Register for alerts: <https://polk.genasys.com/portal/en>

Learn more about AlertMePolkCounty: <https://www.polktx.gov/397/Alert-Me-Polk-County>

If you need assistance registering for AlertMePolkCounty, contact Emergency Management at 936-327-6826.



Emergency Management will also test its connection to the federal Integrated Public Alert & Warning System (IPAWS) by sending a Wireless Emergency Alert (WEA) test message. This alert will appear on mobile devices similar to an Amber Alert. To receive WEA test messages, the *Test Alerts* option must be enabled under government alerts in mobile device settings.

For updates, visit the Polk County Emergency Management Facebook page or oem.polktx.gov.