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Coronavirus Update 5/14/2021: Congratulations on a Great Year

Dear members of the Sacred Heart University community,

We want to take a moment to congratulate the entire SHU community for an outstanding year keeping us on-ground. You really took the Pioneer Promise to heart and it made all the difference. Dr. Petillo has done [a video for students, faculty and staff](#) about this—and the coronavirus planning team would like to echo everything he says.

COVID Protocols for Balance of Semester and Commencement

I'm sure you have all heard the great news from the CDC that restrictions can begin to be lifted for those who are vaccinated. SHU, however, is still under the Governor's executive order until May 19 and, therefore, no policies will be changed. Fully vaccinated people do not need masks outdoors (except at large events) and unvaccinated people can walk, run or ride a bike alone or with members of their pod. Because masks are still required at large events, they still will need to be worn inside the commencement venue.

We are reviewing the implications of the new guidance for after May 19 and will communicate after those decisions are made.

Upload Vaccination Information

We are still encouraging everyone to get vaccinated and upload their information to the student health portal as you get your second dose. This information will assist us in determining what restrictions we can modify or remove completely. You will also be eligible for our June 1 raffle!

Frequency of These Messages

With the end of the semester upon us, we will no longer be sending these messages every Tuesday and Friday. We will continue to update you whenever we have information to share.

Active Cases

Today's [dashboard](#) shows five active cases. There are no students with current active cases isolating on campus.

Have a great summer,
The Coronavirus Planning Team

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