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Coronavirus Update 3-16-2021

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Dear members of the Sacred Heart University community,

We have good news to share for those of you who have been asking to have your parents attend your sporting events. Starting with this Sunday's football game against Merrimack, we will begin to open our athletic events to parents **on senior days when we are able to do so**. For Sunday's game, there will be 80 stickers for up to two guests apiece. We will start by offering them to the parents of seniors on the football team, cheerleading and dance teams and in the marching band. If tickets remain, we will offer them to junior parents, then sophomore and freshmen. There will also be tickets available for the first 300 students who sign up. We will share the link for that in Friday's message. Students will sit on the same side as the press box. Parents will sit on the far side of the field next to the band. You cannot bring food or bottles into the stands. Gates will open at 11 a.m. Go Pioneers!

It is important to note that the pandemic is not over, and we all need to continue to be careful and follow the [Pioneer Promise](#)—including any visitors to campus. We still have some athletic teams on pause because of positive cases. But, because we are doing well overall, we are able to prudently lift some restrictions. We hope we can continue to do this over the coming weeks.

No SHU-Flex in the Fall

Because we anticipate that the public health situation come fall will be considerably better than it is now, we are planning **NOT** to implement a SHU-Flex approach in the fall. This means, in part, that students will not be zooming into their classes in lieu of in-person attendance, as is done with SHU-Flex. As always, we will continue to offer blended and fully online courses as part of our overall curricular offerings. We would implement a SHU-Flex approach **if and only if** the circumstances indicate that we should.

Submitting Eligible Names to the State for Vaccination

As has been done in the past, human resources is submitting the names of faculty and staff ages 45-54 who will be eligible for a vaccination on March 19. You will receive an email with a link to the VAMS system so that you can sign up once you are eligible. You may also [sign up through Hartford Health Care](#), especially if you wish to be vaccinated at our mega site at West Campus.

As of April 5, everyone ages 16 and over will be eligible. This is great news for students! We are working with the state to try and get an exclusive supply of vaccine for students before you go home for the summer. Stay tuned for more details.

Vaccination Site

We are requesting that if you have an appointment to be vaccinated at our mega site that you enter through the designated entrance for vaccinations. We also ask that you not cut through the vaccination clinic on your way to somewhere else when the clinic is in session. Thank you.

Active Cases

Today's [dashboard](#) shows 31 active cases. There are 12 students with current active cases isolating on campus.

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