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## **Coronavirus Update 2-12-21**

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Dear members of the Sacred Heart University community,

There is plenty of fun to be had this weekend—even though the temperatures are expected to be very chilly:

- At 8 p.m., you can participate in The Art of Making Friends Paint Night
- Tomorrow, you can pick up DIY fabric cork boards in the HC Lounge from 3-7
- On Sunday (Happy Valentine's Day!), the IFC kickoff recruitment event will take place in the Edgerton from 10-1
- Bundle up and enjoy time on the skating rink in the chapel quad
- Lots of Pioneers in action this weekend. See where to tune in at [www.sacredheartpioneers.com](http://www.sacredheartpioneers.com)

*Check your email for more information and Zoom links for these events.*

While the majority of the events listed above are for undergraduate students, we are working with program directors to plan smaller program-specific events for graduate students. Additional information for all graduate programming will be sent to students by the Office of Graduate Student Affairs, and graduate students are encouraged to [contact their GSAC representatives](#) if they have additional ideas.

### **Double-Masking**

With the new variants of the coronavirus spreading throughout the country, the CDC is now [recommending double-masking](#). They say wearing a cloth mask over a surgical mask offers greater protection. For optimal protection, they say, the mask should fit snugly against your face and have at least two layers.

### **Isolation and Quarantine**

We have added additional information to our coronavirus hub that explains the difference between isolation and quarantine and what to expect if you need to do one or the other. It can be found in the section entitled ["If You Become Ill."](#)

### **Phone Calls from Contact Tracers**

We want to remind you to answer any phone calls that you receive from the **720 and 949 area codes**. These calls will be from our contact tracers. They will clearly identify themselves as part of the Sacred Heart contact tracing team, and it is important that you know if you have been identified as a close contact.

### **COVID Memorial Service**

Sacred Heart will recognize the victims of COVID-19 in a memorial service on Monday. The service will start at 9 a.m. with remarks, prayers and music and will be followed by the reading of the names of all

who have died from COVID-19 in the state of Connecticut. Names of family submitted by members of the SHU community will also be read. The service will include lighting of candles and hourly tolling of bells. [There will be a live stream of the service](#), which will be shown on monitors throughout campus. We believe it is important to put names to the lives lost, each of whom left loved ones behind.

**Wristband Colors**

Next week's wristbands will be yellow. Students who have not yet been tested will be wearing purple wristbands.

**Active Cases**

Today's [dashboard](#) shows 76 active cases. There are 50 students with current active cases isolating on campus.

Be safe,  
The Coronavirus Planning Team

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