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Coronavirus Update 11-10-20

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Dear members of the Sacred Heart University community,

We start today with a [video message](#) from Dr. Petillo. We certainly can't say it better than he can!

Testing

We want to remind everyone that PCR testing is available tomorrow and Thursday at the Edgerton Center for students, faculty and staff. If you would like to be tested and have not been randomly selected, please [sign up](#). **Please note:** A glitch in the system may have resulted in your receiving an email that your testing time has been canceled. Please ignore that and arrive at your appointed time.

Active Cases

Since yesterday we have 31 new positive tests for COVID-19—17 on campus, 13 off campus and one staff member. Our contact tracing protocol continues to be in place. We have had 14 students recover and leave isolation. Today's dashboard shows us with 208 active cases and a seven-day moving average of 23.9. Our alert status remains at red.

Visitors to Campus

We are not prohibiting visitors to campus at this time. We are, however, prohibiting them from most buildings and requiring that masks are worn and social distancing is practiced. That means that parents of current students, delivery people and prospective students/parents are allowed on the grounds. In the case of the latter, we have altered our campus tour experience to ensure safety, including temperature checks at the time of arrival and the use of microphones by student ambassadors to ensure safe distancing.

New Guidance from the Department of Public Health

In the wake of the continued spike in cases nationally, statewide and on college campuses, the Department of Public Health (DPH) has issued new guidance for students getting ready to head for home.

- The DPH is advising that all students be tested, whether you decide to self-quarantine on campus or at home. If you are still on campus, you can sign up for our testing program.
- The DPH is asking that those who received a negative rapid test follow it up with a PCR test on campus or at home.
- When students get home, regardless of whether you tested negative upon your departure, the DPH is asking you to complete a full 14-day self-quarantine.
- Travel home should be via private transportation if at all possible. Known close contacts of positive cases (i.e., a roommate) must avoid public transportation.
- Students who test negative upon leaving campus should be retested seven days into their 14-day quarantine, according to the DPH.

Other guidance received from health officials encourages anyone with any kind of symptoms—even if you are convinced it is just a cold—to stay in your room or at home until the symptoms are gone. Students with cold symptoms should also check in with health services (203-371-7838) for guidance. Students, faculty and staff should follow these guidelines and encourage friends and colleagues to do so as well.

Stay safe,
The Coronavirus Planning Team

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