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Coronavirus Update 10-21-21

Dear members of the Sacred Heart University community,

We hope you are as excited about Family Weekend as we are. The forecast is calling for crisp fall weather that will be perfect for the activities planned. We are pleased to tell you that we will be relaxing our rule about family members in the residence halls for Family Weekend. During the weekend, your family may visit you in your room at the following times:

- Friday—5-9 p.m.
- Saturday—10 a.m.-8 p.m.
- Sunday—10 a.m.-2p.m.

Please note that this applies only to family members who are visiting as part of Family Weekend and not to any other visitors. Also, all visitors will need to be masked while inside the residence halls.

Booster Clinics

We have scheduled additional booster clinics in conjunction with Hartford HealthCare. Pfizer and Moderna boosters will be available. Yesterday, the FDA approved booster shots for Moderna and Johnson & Johnson. They also approved the mix and match approach to boosters—meaning you can receive a booster that is different than the vaccine you received. The CDC is expected to approve the additional boosters any day now, and then they should become available. Those who received Pfizer or Moderna—and meet other eligibility requirements—are eligible for a booster six months after their second vaccine. Johnson & Johnson recipients are eligible at least two months after receiving the shot. Other eligibility requirements are that you are 65 or older or are at greater risk of COVID because of medical conditions or where you work or live. We encourage you to discuss your eligibility and individual health status with your primary care provider. Clinics will take place at the Edgerton from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the following dates:

- Saturday, October 30
- Saturday, December 11
- Sunday, December 12

We will provide the link for the October 30 clinic in next week's message.

Mask Reminder

We want to remind everyone that masks must be worn inside whenever you are not eating. This includes our dining facilities, such as JP's, Thea's Abbey, 63's, etc. Please keep your masks on when ordering, entering and leaving, and in the rest room. You are all doing an excellent job at keeping the number of COVID cases down, so keep up the great work!

Have a wonderful Family Weekend,
The Coronavirus Planning Team

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Please note: Given the unpredictability of the variants, we will continue to consult with and follow the guidance of the CDC, the Connecticut Department of Health and state and local health officials. We will all need to be flexible and understand that as we continue to work in the best interest of the University community, there will likely be changes and updates. We also suggest that all students have plans in place should there be a need to return home for isolation, quarantining, etc.

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