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COVID-19 Notifications

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Campus Health Update

The welfare and safety of our community is our highest priority. This email shares a recent development related to COVID-19.

Per health care privacy guidelines, the university has a responsibility to protect the identities of affected employees and students.

EMU Health Services reports a rise in cases from cumulative testing Thursday through Sunday. Some results were reported after business hours and over the weekend. EMU's COVID-19 dashboard, usually updated at 1 p.m. on business days, has been updated this morning to reflect the changes.

Over the four days, Health Services reports 17 resident students, three non-resident students and five employees with a positive result. One resident student and one non-resident student also self-reported positive results.

Please continue to refer to the dashboard as a resource.

This morning, the campus community was informed of the rise in cases and implementation of stricter protocol around meals, athletic practices and other campus activities. Please check your email for further information.

The number of tests conducted by EMU Health Services has increased in accordance with NCAA COVID-19 testing regimens for athletes involved in all 19 of EMU's teams in competition this semester.

We will continue to post updates on EMU's COVID-19 webpage and will send updates out via email.

Please note the following reminders as we stay vigilant and prioritize our community health:

- If you are symptomatic for COVID or have been exposed to someone diagnosed or symptomatic with COVID, call EMU's COVID-19 hotline (540) 421-3406 or email covidhotline@emu.edu. The hotline is staffed from 7:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m. If your call is not answered because staff are busy, please leave your name, phone number, and a brief message and we will return your call. This is not an emergency line. If you have an emergency, please call 911 or campus security.

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infection/distress, and complete the Symptom Tracker with that information.

- Be vigilant about your health. Practice good hygiene and everyday preventive actions (frequent hand-washing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds; clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces; avoid touching your face, eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands; cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve when coughing or sneezing).
- Stay home if you are sick or if other members of your household are ill.

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