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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.

Three positive COVID-19 tests have been reported: 1) an employee tested through EMU Health Services; 2) an employee self-report (testing done off-campus); and 3) a non-resident student tested through EMU Health Services.

In each case, contact tracing has been completed and all protocols followed by EMU Health Services or the medical service as appropriate.

EMU's fall semester is concluding with online classes and finals in accordance with plans announced early this fall. As of 11/25, only a small number of students remain in campus residences.

A COVID-19 dashboard with current and cumulative information is posted at www.emu.edu/coronavirus. Note that information is updated at 1 p.m., Monday-Friday.

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 healthservices@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.
- All employees and students should monitor themselves daily for possible symptoms, which include fever, cough, shortness of breath, and/or respiratory 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

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- Stay home if you are sick or if other members of your household are ill.

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