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## New Measures of Care for COVID Cases on Campus

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**President's Office**  
To: EMU Community

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Dear Campus Community,

We continue to give full attention and care to a surge of COVID cases on our campus that began this past week-end.

Our stricter quarantine in place measures began Monday, Feb. 1, after we first announced a pause in athletic activities that began last Wednesday (Jan. 27).

Friends, this new chapter in our COVID response requires an "all hands on deck" undertaking of a different magnitude. Today, we announce some additional new services and practices to stay on top of increasing numbers of students who need to be cared for in quarantine and isolation. These include:

1. A more robust plan for meal deliveries, transportation of students to off-campus locations, and the recruitment of additional contact tracers will now be a supervised and coordinated resourced response at the institutional level. We are lightening the load of Student Life so that they may concentrate on what they do best, daily care for all students, regardless of COVID status. Further information will be shared from the Crisis Management Preparedness Team later today.
2. We are securing additional quarantine and isolation space on and off campus to meet the demand that these next few weeks may require.
3. We are in daily contact with our Virginia Department of Health (VDH) officials and we are following all their directives for mitigation.

This week is fraught with new COVID realities to be sure. Yet we are nimble and resourceful to meet the challenge. Learning continues uninterrupted. Mercifully, no serious symptoms are presenting at this time.

I invite your continued prayers for health, wisdom, and compassionate care for our EMU community.

Warmly,

Susan

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