



Wednesday, February 17, 2021

Dear Students, Faculty, and Staff,

I am writing to update you on the current COVID-19 situation at Plymouth State. As of right now we have seen an additional 32 positive cases from our testing yesterday. This brings the two day total of positive cases to 129 and our total Active Cases is now approximately 162.

Given this continued increase in positive cases we are extending the campus restrictions put in place last night through Sunday February 28, 2021 in an attempt to stop the spread of the virus. In-Person classes will resume on Monday March 1, 2021.

Some Residential students may wish to go home during this period and are permitted to do that. If you do go home, details on continued testing and returning to campus will be made available to you in the coming days.

- **In-Person classes will resume on Monday March 1, 2021***
 - *Some classes and laboratories may continue in person during this period with Provost approval. **Students** please check with your faculty members. However even if those classes and laboratories continue in person over this period, students will be given the opportunity to make up those classes if they choose not to attend in person.*
- **All athletic competitions, practices, and other athletic events are canceled (again there may be limited exemptions for outdoor events where distancing and masking is assured)**
- **All gatherings are limited to no more than six people** with all appropriate public health recommendations in place, including physical distancing and face coverings.
- **All campus events are canceled.**
- **All on-campus dining services will be limited to take-out only.**
- **On-campus students may not visit residence halls where they don't reside.**
- **On-campus students should stay on their respective floors in their residence halls and go outside to socialize with anyone not living on their floor.**
- **All campus buildings will be closed** except for Residence Halls, Prospect Dining Hall, and the HUB for testing and mail pickup only.
- **Off-campus students are not permitted in any on-campus residence hall, building, or facility – with the exception of participation in COVID-19 testing in The HUB.**
- **PSU Quarantine & Isolation space is now nearly exhausted; While we are working on acquiring additional space students who need to isolate or quarantine are asked consider doing so at home if at all possible.** Off-campus students may not isolate or quarantine in PSU's facilities due to lack of space.

- **PSU Staff who are able to work remotely should do so.**
- **Details on COVID-19 Testing tomorrow will be sent this evening – testing takes place from 7:00 am until 2:00 pm in The HUB.**

The COVID-19 Team remains in constant contact with the State of New Hampshire Department of Health and will be constantly monitoring the situation and will provide **daily updates each day by 5:00 pm.**

The COVID-19 Daily Testing Summary and Trigger Points Chart will be updated by 8:00 pm each evening.

We know this is difficult and that we are all weary of these ongoing restrictions and protocols, but we can get through this together. Thank you for your vigilance, agility and commitment to keeping yourself and each other safe and healthy.