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Subject: Spring 2021 Return to Campus Update

Dear Residents,

As you plan your return to campus for Spring Semester, we will require all on campus students to get **tested immediately upon their return** to campus. There have been changes made to the testing requirements and process. Due amount of information in this email, you will find a summary immediately below and the full details to follow. We encourage you to read through the following instructions carefully as things have changed since you left campus in the fall.

All information will be available on the [Residence Life website](#), as well.

Similar to August Move-In and our Eagles Return Safely plan in the fall, all residents are required to have an appointment to return to campus. The dates of return are Monday, January 25 – Sunday, January 31.

Your first stop when returning to campus must be the testing site in Cartwright Center. The location of the testing site has *changed to 3rd floor*. Follow appropriate signage for “UWL On-Campus Students (Residence Hall).” You can park in lots C2 (near the stadium) and C9 (behind Mitchell Hall) while you are getting tested. You will not be ticketed between January 25-31 in those parking lots for short term parking.

Your ID will not be activated allowing for residence hall access until you have completed a COVID antigen test on campus. After you receive a negative test result, you will be “checked in” to your residence hall.

You are REQUIRED to sign up for your testing time prior to testing. No outside test negative results will be accepted. You will be unable to complete testing if you have not previously registered for that day and time. You must use your “[@uwlax.edu](#)” email when registering for the test.

The link for the sign up is not yet active. You must be within 7 days of the testing day in order to complete the sign up. We will send you the link when it is closer to arrival days and it is active.

Here is a summary of instructions for students based on their current and past COVID test status:

If you are CURRENTLY positive COVID Test (within 14 days of returning to campus)

- Continue to isolate at home.
- Submit test results [using this form](#).
- Email Mermani Maloney-Wang (mmaloney-wang@uwlax.edu) with questions.
- No need to test upon return to campus. Your ID will be activated on your isolation end date after submitting your positive test results.
- After you have passed the 90 days post positive test, you will need to complete weekly COVID tests.
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If you have had a PAST positive COVID Test (Since November 6, 2020)

- Submit DATE OF TEST results [using this form](#).
- Email Mermani Maloney-Wang (mmaloney-wang@uwlax.edu) with questions.
- No need to test upon return to campus. Your ID will be activated when you submit your positive test results.
- After you have passed the 90 days post positive test, you will need to complete weekly COVID tests.

If you have not had a previous positive COVID Test since November 6, 2020

- Sign up for an antigen test, which will also be your date/time to return to campus.
 - This sign up is only available 7 days prior to test day.
- Go to Cartwright Center 3rd floor to get tested immediately upon your return to campus (even before you go to your residence hall).
- ID will be activated when you complete the COVID antigen test (and receive a negative result) in Cartwright Center and you will be instructed to proceed to your residence hall.

We know there are nuances to this process. Additional information will be coming shortly to students who are:

- Currently living on campus as they completed a Winter Housing Contract
- New to Campus for Spring 2021
- Returning to campus after cancelling/moving out during Fall 2020

Thank you for your patience and compliance with our testing procedures. We continue to remain committed to a safe campus and our efforts are to achieve a successful face to face semester for all students, faculty, and staff.

Please look for additional appointment sign-up information next week.

Office of Residence Life

Detailed information:

Your first stop when returning to campus must be the testing site in Cartwright Center. The location of the testing site has *changed to 3rd floor*. You will use the same doors to enter Cartwright Center, but continue up to 3rd floor instead of 2nd floor. Follow appropriate signage for “UWL On-Campus Students (Residence Hall).” You can park in lots C2 (near the stadium) and C9 (behind Mitchell Hall) while you are getting tested. You will not be ticketed between January 25-31 in those parking lots for short term parking.

Your ID will not be activated allowing for residence hall access until you have completed a COVID antigen test on campus. After you receive a negative test result, you will be “checked in” to your residence hall.

You are REQUIRED to sign up for your testing time prior to testing. You will be unable to complete testing if you have not previously registered for that day and time. You must use your “@uwlax.edu” email when registering for the test. When you sign up, you will be given a voucher number that you will need to reference during your COVID appointment. The link for the sign up is not yet active. You must be within 7 days of the testing day in order to complete the sign up. We will send you the link when it is closer to arrival days and it is active.

A limited number of testing slots will be available on the following days:

Monday, January 25; 8:30am-4:30pm

Tuesday, January 26; 8:30am-4:30pm

Wednesday, January 27; 8:30am-4:30pm

Thursday, January 28; 8:30am-4:30pm

Friday, January 29; 8:30am-4:30pm

Saturday, January 30; 8:30am-4:30pm

Sunday, January 31; 8:30am-4:30pm

Beginning Monday February 1: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm; Saturday 10:00am-2:00pm

If you return to campus outside of testing hours, you will not be able to access your residence hall. Please make arrangements to arrive during testing times. Additionally, all on campus students must be tested through UW-La Crosse. Tests completed with other providers or testing sites will not be used as verification of a completed test. If you have had a positive COVID-19 test in the last 90 days (since November 6, 2020) you must [submit your test result](#) to UWL Student Health Center staff. You must use your “@uwlax.edu” email when submitting test results. If your positive test occurred on campus, you must submit the date of that test, as well.

We are aware that you may have already signed up for a time to pick up your textbooks. You will not be able to get into your residence hall until you complete a COVID test. We encourage you to pick up your textbooks AFTER you move back to campus.

If you have a CURRENT positive COVID test prior to your return to campus, you are asked to continue your isolation period at home prior to returning to campus. Likewise, if you have been exposed to COVID-19 and have been told to quarantine, you are encouraged to complete that quarantine away from campus. If you have completed a quarantine at home, you will still be asked to complete a test upon your arrival back to campus.

Students who test positive upon arrival to campus will be encouraged to return home for the duration of the isolation period if possible or will be moved to an isolation room instead of being allowed to return to their assigned residence hall room. For this reason, we will require you to wait in Cartwright until you receive your test results. If you receive a negative test result, you will be checked in and can proceed to your residence hall; if you receive a positive test result, you may be required to take an additional PCR COVID test and will be required to return home or move immediately into isolation housing.

If you have received 1 or 2 doses of a COVID vaccine, you will still need to complete a test upon return.

During the spring semester, students living on campus will need to complete a COVID-19 antigen test weekly. Students who do not comply with the testing requests will be contacted by Residence Life staff as part of the student conduct process. Students who are found in violation of the testing requirement face housing contract cancellation. Additional information about weekly testing will be coming.



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