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Subject: Residence Hall Isolation Policy Change-- PLEASE READ before returning to campus

Good afternoon, Residential Students,

This is a notice of a change in UWL's isolation policy for RESIDENTIAL STUDENTS. Given that the residence halls are shared living spaces, we will follow the CDC wellness guidelines which recommend a return to shared living spaces after 10 days of isolation.

(For clarification, CDC wellness guidelines for release after day-5 of isolation require people to maintain 6' distance between other people and wear a mask when in shared spaces. Residence hall rooms do not allow for enough distancing and wearing masks while sleeping is ill-advised.)

As such, residence hall students are not allowed to return to their permanent on campus room assignments until after day-10 (or on day 11) of their isolation.

For students who tested positive in their home counties and spoke to contact tracers from those counties, the information you received about being released after day-5 is no longer applicable. You must remain home until your 10 days have expired. Also, if you are still experiencing symptoms/fevers past your 10-day isolation window, please remain at home and consult with your doctor.

At this time, the following will happen once you have been confirmed as COVID-positive:

- You will receive an email from Residence Life stating the need to isolate. You are encouraged to do so away from campus. Should that not be possible, there is a limited number of isolation bed spaces available. Unlike in past semesters, these will be SHARED four person rooms.
- A contact tracer will call you to discuss your isolation timeline. Release from isolation date is dependent on symptoms and test results. Since timelines vary per person, it is important not to assume your release date.
- However, if you are symptom-free on day-6 of your isolation, you **can** commute to classes (because you can distance and mask in these settings). If you are unable to commute to class, please communicate with your faculty about the restrictions.

As a reminder, if you need to report a positive test or have a question about your isolation, please email your first/last name, phone number, and student status to selfreport@uwlax.edu.

Our priority is the health and safety of our campus community. We appreciate your understanding and adherence to this policy change.

Thank you,
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