Dear Colleagues and Students:

These are ever-changing times. We know there are a number of hurdles to overcome; collectively we will accomplish the Chancellor’s directive and guidance by focusing our efforts on these two priorities:

- To safeguard the health, safety, and welfare of our faculty, staff, and students
- To enable students to progress toward their educational goal

POSITIVE COVID-19 CASES
This past week, we had one student test positive with two additional exposures. No employees tested positive this week. Our best defense continues to be handwashing, mask wearing and social distancing. Please remember your mouth and nose need to be completely covered for masks to be effective.

RETURNING TO CAMPUS
As planning begins for returning to campus this fall, we will share plans as they become available:

- All departments will have a presence on campus this fall. The percentage of time on campus will be determined once the success of Minnesota’s vaccine rollout has been determined.
- Facilities is preparing the campus’ personal protection measures that will be implemented by August 1.

REMINDERS

- The state of Minnesota rolled out COVID-19 Vaccine Connector, a tool to help you find out when, where and how to get a COVID-19 vaccine. The service is free. Visit the Vaccine Connector website to learn more and register.
- While enjoying spring break, please remember to minimize your social group size, social distance, wear your mask, monitor your health symptoms and get tested if you have any symptoms. If you’ll be traveling, visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website for travel requirements and guidance, including testing before and after travel.

OPEN FORUM
The next COVID-19 open forum is scheduled for Friday, March 5, 2021.

Better Together,

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