



North Hennepin
Community College
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Engaging students, changing lives

January 8, 2021

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

Since December 16, 2021, three employees and 11 students have tested positive. There were no additional exposures.

ADD YOUR PHONE TO THE FIGHT AGAINST COVID-19

Imagine that you test positive for COVID-19. You tell your friends and family that you may have been in contact with, but how do you inform that people that you don't know? Minnesota's free exposure notification app, COVIDaware MN, will help us all do our part. The app notifies you if you've been near someone who tested positive for COVID-19. If you test positive, you can use the app to anonymously notify anyone you've been near. Download Minnesota's COVID-19 exposure notification app today. When we understand our exposure risk, we can all make more informed decisions about our health. The app is free and does not collect any personal information or track your location. For more information, [view FAQs](#) and a [short video](#).

NEW EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDERS

The Governor has issued three Executive Orders (21-01, 21-02, 21-03) since the beginning of the year. [Visit the Governor's webpage](#) to view the orders.

MEAL BAGS FREE FOR ALL FAMILIES

Every Meal provides kids with wholesome food. Meal bags include 4-5 pounds of nutritious, non-perishable food including a variety of fruits, vegetables, proteins, grains, and entrees. Meal bags are free for all families. There are no qualification requirements and no contact information will be collected. Simply pick up a bag in the front entry of either location listed below while supplies last. Visit the [Every Meal webpage](#) for more information.

- **Police North Precinct:** 5400 85th Avenue N, Brooklyn Park MN 55443
- **Police South Precinct:** 7608 Brooklyn Boulevard, Brooklyn Park MN 55443

REMINDERS

- **Saliva Kit Deadline Extended to January 30.** All Minnesota State employees can visit [Employee Home](#) to access a free saliva test kit from Vault Health. [Click here](#) to view FAQs, and [click here](#) to view a Testing Process Video.
- **Continue to be vigilant** with handwashing, mask wearing and social distancing.

NEXT OPEN FORUM

The next COVID-19 open forum is scheduled for Friday, February 5, 2021.

The recording link for the January 8, 2021 Open Forum:

https://minnstate.zoom.us/rec/share/SN_uFr4OdacU_nmrlW2EARsjN0zjx_cWeR8M-5m1BmTwypWz3MHo-erViVTvYv2P.p4dd4wFIXb6ODhx3

Better Together,

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