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Campus Status

As of today, Solano County moved back up to the Purple Tier with a spike in COVID cases county, State and Countrywide. We have **one cadet in offsite isolation and two in offsite quarantine**. The Campus has experienced two COVID positive cases on campuses in the last week. Contact tracing was completed for each subject as well as additional cleaning where they traveled, and a total of eight close contacts were identified and are in quarantine. To date, there has not been anyone known to have contracted COVID from campus operations. In-person events are strongly discouraged and should be limited to essential activities. In-person events must be approved by a Cabinet member and meet task force protocols, plus designate a responsible on site contact and sanitizing of all contact items before and after use "hello and goodbye."

TESTING

Our final round of random COVID testing for the semester was completed today. Approximately 100 cadets and 40 staff/faculty were tested, and results are expected tomorrow. In addition, exit testing has been scheduled for this Monday, November 23rd. Cadets who wish to sign up can use this link: campus. Then please be certain that you have also signed up with the testing firm and lab prior to the test. For staff or faculty, please sign up at covid19hs@csum.edu and ensure you are also preregistered at testing firm and lab. Sign up for exit testing closes at noon on Friday, 11/20/20.

Unlimited testing remains available for free to anyone through <u>Solano County CDPH</u>. Please remember that testing does not always provide an answer as to whether an individual is COVID-free or not. It is entirely possible to have been exposed up to 10 days or more before testing, receive a negative result, and convert to positive within fourteen days (with or without symptoms). It is equally possible to get a negative result but be exposed shortly after testing, unknowingly incubating COVID in your system that could result in illness. Please keep this in mind as you travel home to be with your family.

Travel

California and many other states have established <u>travel advisories</u>. If you are unable to quarantine for 14 days after travel, both to your destination and again upon your return, please **DO NOT TRAVEL**. Travel and letting your guard down with regard to protecting yourself and others from your remain critical. For cadets that plan to travel and return after Thanksgiving or will remain on Campus, be advised that Residents will be instructed to self-isolate going forward.

Safeguarding yourself and others

We stress this so strongly because, as stated in prior communications, the best way to protect yourself and those around you is by using effective face masks, regular hand washing, and social distancing. COVID-19 has caused a global crisis due to its long incubation time and variation of symptoms--ranging from none, to serious illness, and even death.

We continue to add information to the <u>COVID website</u> and encourage cadets to share this information with family and provide feedback on any additional information that would be helpful during this difficult time.

Please email questions, comments, or suggestions to covid19hs@csum.edu