## 03/25/22 COVID Newsletter

## COVID-19 Health and Safety Task Force <covid19hs@csum.edu>

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Dear Campus Community,

In the last three weeks, we have had only one positive COVID case. The activity level in the region remains low. Even so, we are asking that everyone stay vigilant and careful.

We are closely tracking information about the new BA.2 variant and will keep the community informed.

More rapid tests have been made available by federal officials. Individuals can request another four free COVID test kits: <u>https://special.usps.com/testkits</u>.

As of this week, the COVID-19 Health & Safety Task Force will reduce its meetings to every other week and send out the newsletter every other Thursday. However, we can quickly assemble the task force and reach out to the community if conditions change.

Vaccination remains the best way to avoid contracting Covid-19. There are still local vaccination opportunities. See <u>https://www.csum.edu/alert/covid-19/</u> for further information about clinic dates and times at the end of this newsletter.

## Vaccination Rates

| Cadets, faculty, and staff | 96% are Vaccinated | 4% sought exemptions | 0% on campus not<br>participating |
|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Stall                      |                    |                      | participating                     |

As of March 24, 2022, we currently have three cadets and zero staff in isolation. Isolation may be on campus or at people's residences.

| Month     | # of COVID<br>Tests<br>Neg / pos | # Isolated<br>Current/cleared |
|-----------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| December* | 209/9                            | 0/9                           |
| January   | 382/39                           | 0/39                          |
| February  | 172/10                           | 0/14                          |
| March     | 237/4                            | 0/4                           |
| April     | 0/0                              | 0/0                           |
| Мау       | 0/0                              | 0/0                           |

December includes the holiday break.

**Isolation** separates sick people with a contagious disease from people who are not sick. Normally, isolated people are released (cleared) ten days from onset.

**Quarantine** has been removed as that only applies to unvaccinated people, which only make up 4% of the population. Vaccinated people are not required to quarantine after being a close contact.

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 useful to the community.