

Colleagues -

To help minimize the risk and spread of COVID-19, especially to your friends and family members this holiday season, we encourage you to get **tested**, **report symptoms/close contacts**, **and monitor yourself** for COVID-19. Similar messages have been, and will continue to be, sent to students.

Testing

FREE testing options available **TODAY** at NDSCS Wahpeton, in the Fargo community, and throughout North Dakota.

Semester Break Testing Events

Wahpeton*: TODAY 9 – 11 a.m. at the Harry Stern and Ella Stern Cultural Center (Wahpeton) (conducted by NDSCS Student Health Service)

12/28/2020 9 – 11 a.m. at the Harry Stern and Ella Stern **Cultural Center** (Wahpeton) (conducted by NDSCS Student Health Service)

1/4/2020 9 – 11 a.m. at the Harry Stern and Ella Stern **Cultural Center** (Wahpeton) (conducted by NDSCS Student Health Service)

Fargo*:

Monday through Friday 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. at Faith Journey Lutheran Church, located at 650 40th Ave. S. in West Fargo (please indicate that you are a NDSCS student/employee).

Thursdays from 1-5 p.m. at the **Sanford Health Athletic Complex** at <u>NDSU</u>, located at 1600 N University Drive in Fargo (enter using the south doors) – NOTE: December 31 testing will only go until 4 p.m. **Test Events in North Dakota*:**

To find options in communities across North Dakota, visit <u>http://ndus.edu/gettested/</u>

If you have **NOT** been tested by the NDDoH, please pre-register at <u>testreg.nd.gov</u>. If you **HAVE** been tested by the NDDoH, please come and be tested again, but there is **no need** to register again. *This schedule is subject to change, please review <u>http://ndus.edu/gettested/</u> or NDSCS.edu/COVID-19 for updates.

Report

Please monitor yourself for symptoms consistent with COVID-19 and <u>report</u> if you have symptoms or if a close contact tests positive for COVID-19 (**even over the break**).

NDSCS will continue to track those within our NDSCS community (students, employees) that have tested positive for COVID-19 and recovered. **These numbers will be updated weekly (December 21, 28; January 4) throughout the break and we will resume daily updates (by 3 p.m.) on January 11.**

Monitoring & Personal Prevention Practices

Through all of us remaining diligent in our **personal prevention practices**, we can continue to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

- Wash your hands frequently (or use hand sanitizer).
- Consistently and properly wear face coverings (over mouth and nose) in public or when around anyone not from your immediate household.



- Monitor yourself for symptoms consistent with COVID-19 and <u>report</u> if you have symptoms or if a close contact tests positive for COVID-19 (**even over the break**).
- Practice physical distancing whenever possible.
- Get tested throughout the break (see above).
- Avoid gatherings with anyone **not** in your immediate household, especially indoors.
- Limit unnecessary trips and consider **limiting** the number of people you expose yourself to over the holidays.

Happy holidays and stay well! Jane

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