

Good Evening –

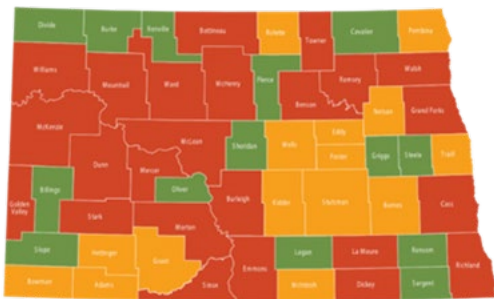
It was announced today that at effective 5 p.m. on Friday (October 29), NDDoH will shift **Richland County's (Wahpeton) risk level to high (Orange)** and **Cass County (Fargo, ND) will continue to be in the high (Orange) level.**

I know many of you have questions about what this will mean for your classes and activities. NDSCS is committed to your educational experience. The increase in risk level in our Wahpeton community heightens our need to continue to be diligent in our personal prevention practices. You will also notice some changes:

LIVING and DINING SPACES: For those of you living on campus and eating within our dining spaces – you will see shifts related to capacity and availability of some spaces. We must follow ALL posted signs and outlined expectations.

CLASSES/LABS/SHOPS/CLINICALS: Work directly with your faculty to better understand how these revised guidelines will impact your different courses. Please monitor your NDSCS email and your NDSCS online for important announcements.

I frequently hear from you – that you want to stay 'face-to-face' – the responsibility is on all of us to make that happen. Avoid gatherings, practice physical distancing, in ALL public spaces wear your face coverings over your mouth AND nose, wash your hands, and get tested frequently. With your assistance and compliance – together we will continue to be able to minimize the risk and spread of COVID-19.



Stay Well, Wildcats!

No matter our risk level, **we need to remain diligent with our personal prevention practices** (e.g. washing your hands, ***consistently and properly wearing a face covering***, practice physical distancing, not going to work/class if you are not feeling well, reporting symptoms/close contact).

We also ask all of you to get tested frequently – this week NDSCS students and employees can be tested at the following locations/times:



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- **NDSCS Wahpeton:** Mondays from 11:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Harry Stern and Ella Stern Cultural Center. This building is on the Northeast side of the oval between the Hektner Student Center and Old Main.
 - **NDSCS-Fargo:** Two options are available: Thursdays and Sundays from 1-5 p.m. at the Shelly Ellig Indoor Track at [NDSU](#), located at 1625 14th St. N. in Fargo (directly west of the Sanford Health Athletic Complex) OR Monday – Friday 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. at Faith Journey Lutheran Church, located at 650 40th Ave. S. in West Fargo.

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