

Campus Update

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Recently, NDSU announced summer classes would continue via remote delivery methods. In this message, I want to update you regarding the status of other camps and events scheduled for the summer. Due to the continued near-term uncertainty of the impact of the virus, June camps and events are either being postponed or canceled. If this impacts an event that you are sponsoring or organizing, please work with your NDSU contact to make the necessary arrangements. The status for events in July and beyond will be evaluated and a recommendation made to administration once we get closer to those dates and have a clearer picture of the anticipated environment.

On a different topic, in the past week I have received some emails that contain suppositions about some departments having clusters of positive COVID-19 cases. Suspecting this to not be accurate based on what has been previously brought to my attention, I contacted the local field epidemiologist with the North Dakota Department of Health and he confirmed that we currently do not have any such instances at NDSU. However, he did discuss with me that we all should remain vigilant as the testing results from the Fargo and Cass/Clay county areas continue to indicate instances of disease spread through community contact, not person to person. Please continue to minimize your risk of exposure by utilizing the suggestions mentioned in prior messages and repeated here:

- Put distance between yourself and other people, at least 6ft
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Stay home as much as possible
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash and immediately wash your hands.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a cloth face cover when around others, if unable to maintain necessary distance

FYI, the ND DoH and CDC continue to update a variety of COVID-19 resources, some of which might be useful in your work or home settings:

- Print resources to support COVID-19 recommendations, available in multiple languages: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/communication/print-resources.html?Sort=Date%3A%3Adesc>
- General information for ND residents: <https://www.health.nd.gov/diseases-conditions/coronavirus>
- If You are Sick or Caring for Someone: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/index.html>

Thank you,

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