Email: Campus Notification: COVID-19

November 19, 2020

Dear Campus Community,

The university has received information confirming two members of the UM-Flint community have tested positive for COVID-19, and were on campus while they may have been potentially infectious with the virus.

Case One

The individual was last on campus on November 16 in a restricted area within the Murchie Science Building construction site. The university was notified on November 19 that the individual tested positive for COVID-19.

Case Two

The individual was last on campus on November 18 at the University Pavilion. The university was notified on November 19 that the individual tested positive for COVID-19.

The Office of Environment, Health and Safety notified the Genesee County Health Department (GCHD). The GCHD is following the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), state and county public health contact tracing protocol regarding those that may have been in close contact with this person. Close contact for the purposes of the GCHD contact tracing and follow up is someone that has been within 6 feet of the person for 15 minutes or more, over a 24 hour period.

The GCHD has been notified and will conduct further contact tracing. If you have been identified as a "close contact" in these cases, the GCHD will reach out to you directly with specific guidance and direction.

Facilities & Operations are maintaining their regular cleaning and disinfecting of the spaces based on CDC and GCHD guidance.

We strongly encourage all members of our campus community to continue to follow best practices for limiting potential exposure and reducing the spread the virus:

- Wearing face coverings
- Frequent hand washing
- Maintaining at least 6 feet physical distance from others
- Avoid large gatherings
- Complete the daily <u>ResponsiBLUE</u> health screening either online or with the new app that is available from both the Apple App store for Apple devices as well as the Google Play store for Android devices. Just search for ResponsiBLUE.

• Stay home if you have symptoms, are ill or have been in close contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19.

All of these methods remain the most effective ways to protect yourself and others. You can read more about the reporting illness processes for employees and students here, as well as the university's ongoing response to COVID-19.

Thank you.

Mike Hague Vice Chancellor for Business and Finance Chair, UM-Flint Reopening Committee