Longwood community,

A few quick notes as we approach the Thanksgiving holiday in just a few short weeks.

Covid-19 Vaccinations

The Virginia Department of Health has included college students in its list of people who may get a booster shot, six months after their second dose of a two-dose Pfizer or Moderna regimen, or two months after one dose of Johnson and Johnson. This is not a required shot, but college students, faculty and staff are eligible. If you would like to schedule an appointment for a booster, there are options locally. You can:

- Make an appointment at the University Health Center by calling 434-395-2102
- Make an appointment at a vaccine provider like Walgreens, CVS, or Walmart There is also a **Frontline Worker Celebration and Vaccination Event** on Friday, Nov. 12 at the town of Farmville parking lot at Peery Drive and Main Street (in front of Walmart) starting at 2 p.m. Thanks to a number of Longwood folks who are helping out with this VDH event. Join them to honor firefighters, police officers, pharmacists, health care workers, and educators. Covid-19 vaccinations, including boosters and first doses for children ages 5-11, will be available, and health care providers will be on hand if you have questions. You can walk-in or save time by scheduling and registering ahead at https://vase.vdh.virginia.gov.

<u>Status Form</u>

It's important that we have up-to-date records on student and employee vaccination status. Please remember that if you are fully vaccinated, you do not have to quarantine on campus if contact exposed. If your vaccination status has changed (for instance, you were not vaccinated at the start of the semester but are now partially or fully vaccinated), please log back into this form and update your status as appropriate:

https://www.longwood.edu/covid19/vaccinestatus/

Holiday Plans

As you make your holiday plans, if you'd like to get tested for Covid-19 before you leave for home, you can make an appointment for a test at the University Health Center at 434-395-2102.

Richmond Symphony

On a non-Covid note, I'd like to encourage all of you to attend the <u>Richmond Symphony</u> <u>concert this Friday in Jarman Auditorium</u>. The show begins at 7:30 p.m. and tickets this year are free. To attend, you will need to show either proof of vaccination or a negative Covid-19 test taken within 72 hours of the performance.

As part of the show, the Richmond Symphony will play one of the best-known compositions in classical music: Beethoven's Fifth Symphony. This concert is part of a long-running partnership between the Richmond Symphony and Longwood.

Thanks,

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