

Faculty and staff,

Sharing with you an email that was sent to students this afternoon.

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Longwood community,

You may have seen a rise in the number of active cases in the last few days on campus. We are confident that many of these cases have stemmed from the same off-campus social gathering where mask and social distancing guidelines were not followed.

We must remain vigilant and make smart choices. Prevalence rates remain very high in our region and across Virginia.

Remember that students who do not follow the health and safety guidelines and abide by the [Shared Commitment](#) may face Honor & Conduct charges and face disciplinary action. We all need to hold ourselves and others accountable, especially as numbers climb across the region.

If you feel sick: Call the University Health Center at 434-395-2102 to schedule an appointment. There are the **most advanced and accurate rapid tests available** and you will quickly have access to academic and meal support services by testing at the UHC.

Vaccine clinic

We have been pleased to begin administering vaccines this week to faculty, staff, and essential employees with the Budd Group and Aramark. We are ready and preparing to assist the Virginia Department of Health with other priority groups such as local First Responders and other essential workers, and hope to do so soon. We do expect it will be some time before vaccines are widely available to other groups including students, but we will remain in communication with campus.

Thank you,

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