



August 21, 2020

Dear Colleagues,

As you know, our reopening plan requires that every student returning to campus must be tested, and students are prohibited from attending class in person until they have received notice that they are cleared to attend. Testing is proceeding well, and we are continuing to get results. We are wrapping up testing over 2,000 continuing students who have arrived since Wednesday. The testing lab is working as expeditiously as possible to process these tests, and our colleagues will be working all weekend to notify students of their test results as they come in. However, given the anticipated turnaround time on these tests, we must plan for the possibility that some students will not have their test results and thus will not be cleared in time for the start of Monday classes.

In order to address this timing challenge, we wanted to notify you of this possibility. By Sunday at 5:00 p.m.:

- We will identify any students who have not yet received a result. They will be informed that, without a negative result, they remain subject to quarantine rules and are strictly prohibited from attending any classes in person. Students who have not been cleared may attend remotely (unless the class was previously designated as solely in person).
- A list of the names of students who have not been cleared will be placed in a Box folder and will be accessible to all faculty at that time.
- Should students be cleared between 1:00 Sunday and the start of a class on Monday or Tuesday, they will be asked to forward the notice of their negative test result to their professor.
- The Box list will be updated regularly as results come in until all arriving students are cleared.

There will be a communication to you on Sunday with the link to the Box folder as soon as it is ready.

We regret another wrinkle of complexity to a complex semester, but we also wanted to make sure that we are doing everything possible to ensure a safe start to the semester. Thank you for your understanding and flexibility in supporting community health and safety and our students.

Best regards,

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