

Hello,

As has been shared in previous emails from Dr. Johnson and the COVID-19 Task Force, **we are committed to a return to on-campus living and learning for the spring semester**, while acknowledging that external factors may impact our ability to fully implement a return. As we look forward to our intended return, we are building a plan that prioritizes the health and safety of our community. We are writing today to share planning updates related to your on-campus residential experience:

- **Spring Housing Assignment:** Your spring housing assignment is viewable [here](#). Unless you have been contacted by our office, your spring assignment is the same as your original fall assignment.
- **Spring Semester Move-In:** We are continuing to finalize plans for move-in. We are planning for move-in to take place January 10, 2021-January 18, 2021. In order to maintain physical distance and accommodate return to campus COVID-19 testing, move-in times will be staggered throughout this time period. You will be permitted to have two individuals assist you with the move-in process. You will be able to sign-up for the specific move-in time period in early December. More details about the move-in process will be shared as they are finalized.
- **Return to Campus COVID-19 Testing:** All residential students are **required** to be tested for COVID-19 prior to receiving their keys to their on-campus residence. *Testing will be conducted on campus and will be scheduled during your move-in time period.* Unlike the testing that was conducted in August, you will not need to find a testing site near your permanent address nor will you need to obtain an at home testing kit. In addition to the required return to campus testing, the University will also be engaging in significant surveillance testing throughout the semester. More information about the testing process will be shared in future communications about the move-in process.
- **Quarantine & Isolation Space:** A critical aspect of our return to campus planning has been increasing the number of quarantine and isolation locations. After reviewing the options available, the decision has been made to use the entirety of Dolan residence hall for quarantining and isolating residential students as needed. Using the entirety of Dolan residence hall, along with an isolated wing in Murphy residence hall, prepares the University to meet the needs of our community this spring. All students who were affected by this decision to use Dolan residence hall have been notified and have received their updated housing assignments. In addition to identifying additional spaces, we have also further developed plans for supporting students during a challenging time.

As we continue to move forward with our planning, our highest priority remains the health and safety of our community. All of the plans developed for enhanced cleaning in the residence halls, mask requirements, and interim guest policies will be in place for the spring semester.

We are committed to a return to on-campus living and learning. While we continue to plan, we ask that you begin to plan for your return to campus. First and foremost, if you have not already done so, we **STRONGLY ENCOURAGE** all students to get the flu vaccine. Second, we ask that

you continue to practice critical health precautions including wearing a mask, maintaining physical distance, and washing your hands frequently. These actions are critical to the health and safety of our community.

We will share more updates about the move-in process and the plans for returning to on-campus living as they are finalized in the coming weeks. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.