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The COVID-19 Response Team continues to work with the Genesee County Public Health Department and with the Office of the President to adapt to the situation as it evolves and provide our community with the most current information regarding the COVID-19 pandemic. The University is fully committed to the health and safety of its entire community, and will continue to closely monitor this situation and any others that impact our campus.

In addition to providing updates on a regular basis, the team meets regularly to review, evaluate and address immediate and future issues related to the pandemic. Members of the team include student, faculty and staff representatives and are listed [here](#) on the University's website.

— October 27 Update —

Thompson Hall Update, Other Possible Exposures Are Negative

- The Thompson Hall student who tested positive continues to self-quarantine off campus and has not been on campus since being tested on Oct. 22. All identified direct contacts of that student were tested on Monday, Oct. 26 and the remainder of Thompson Hall residents are required to get tested during today's open testing (8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Abbey). No appointments are required, and any student, staff or faculty wanting to be tested may also go at this time.
 - Until the results of testing are known and have been evaluated, Thompson Hall residents will be restricted from other areas of campus, with the exception of limited and scheduled access to the Campus Center for food service. A special hour has been designated for Thompson Hall residents to safely participate in today's outdoor Learning Commons beam signing event from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.
 - They will continue taking classes virtually, and the no-visitor policy remains in effect.
 - Testing results are expected to be received within 48 to 72 hours.
 - Students are NOT being asked to move out of Thompson Hall nor is Thompson Hall closing.
- The off-campus student who first tested positive Oct. 5, then retested positive again has retested negative twice now and will be allowed to return to campus.
- All 23 members of an off-campus fraternity that were quarantined last week have tested negative after potential exposure to a COVID-19 positive visitor to the house during the weekend of Oct. 16-18.
- Three students who were self-isolating out of an abundance of caution after attending an off-campus party have all been tested. Two have tested

negative (though one who is a Thompson Hall resident will be retested due to possible exposure), and the third has been retested following an inconclusive result.

Per University policy, any students in quarantine are not allowed on campus until they have received a negative test result. Anyone who tests positive must have two negative test results before returning to campus.

The University continues to evaluate and provide more testing availability and dates. If you are a student who needs or wants a test outside of a scheduled date, please contact the Wellness Center. If you're an employee, please contact Human Resources.

Stay Safe, Stay Updated

To ensure our community stays safe and is informed with the latest information, everyone is expected to:

- Read all emails from the University as well as the campus-wide e-newsletter Bulldog Weekly (sent on Tuesdays to all students, staff and faculty).
- Review the Fall Term 2020 Playbook (online in a [downloadable .pdf](#) form) as well as searchable sections on the University's [website](#). All updates, include these emails, are posted on the website.
- Sign up for [Kettering Alerts](#).
- Practice safe measures (by wearing your mask at ALL times while on campus and social distancing) whether on or off campus.
- It is vital that everyone be honest and accurate in your [daily health screening](#). This is a compact of personal responsibility you undertake as part of the Kettering community.
- STAY HOME if you experience even one of the CDC identified symptoms of COVID-19 (you can find the list [here](#)).
- STAY IN YOUR ROOM if you live in Thompson Hall and experience symptoms. Contact the Wellness Center for further direction.

If you have questions, email welcomedbackbulldogs@kettering.edu.
