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Campus Community,

An off-campus student who arrived from out-of-state has tested positive for COVID-19. The student is at their off-campus home in isolation.

They are being monitored by the Clinton County Health Department. The agency is also conducting contact tracing, under its standard protocol. Other students as directed are in quarantine. The state was not on the New York list of restricted-travel locations.

Positive cases are not unexpected. We are following the plans we developed to prepare for this semester. We will do so with any further cases. Affected students will be supported in isolation and quarantine with daily calls and check-ins for their well-being and academic progress.

When we verify a positive test within the local campus community we will inform you and follow our protocols for health and safety.

This is an important reminder that we must each remain vigilant and adhere to social distancing and face covering, and other guidelines. It is critical for our communities wherever we reside.

Best practices shared by public health officials include and a part of the Cardinal Pledge include:

- Complete the daily health screening form
- Wear a mask and practice social distancing
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- Do not host or attend large social gatherings and parties
- Stay home when sick
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe
- If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol. Always wash hands with soap and water when hands are visibly dirty

We respect the privacy of these individuals and are supporting them. If you are aware, please also respect their privacy so they can focus on healing. We continue to update and post COVID-19-related information online [plattsburgh.edu/covid-19](http://plattsburgh.edu/covid-19).

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