COVID-19| Sunday Update

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The college recorded one new case today of a student testing positive for COVID-19. The person was identified through pooled surveillance testing results and is now isolating.

The most recent pooled surveillance testing for COVID-19 yielded no further positive cases. However, participants in one of the pools are being retested as a precaution because results were weak and indeterminate. The tests were completed by SUNY Upstate Medical University from 1,496 student samples.

Over the past 14 days, the college community has recorded 32 total cases. Additionally, two students are in precautionary isolation having tested negative with rapid tests but awaiting back-up PCR test results.

Those in isolation and quarantine are being released as they recover or risk times expire. The college case dashboard, as well as details on isolation, quarantine and related topics, are online at plattsburgh.edu/covid-19. Quarantine decisions by the health department via tracing are based on an assessment of potential exposure and to help prevent possible viral spread.

We respect the privacy of students in isolation and quarantine and will support them. If you are aware, please also respect their privacy.

A focus on prevention and the Cardinal Pledge, coupled with robust testing, isolation and quarantine as warranted, are our keys to flattening the case count. It takes all of us to succeed.

Pooled surveillance testing continues Tuesday and Wednesday. Please attend if invited.

We continue to monitor our campus cases and capacity every day. We are also working in concert with multiple public health officials and partners who are supportive of our approaches.

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