COVID-19 Case Update | Departure Testing Continues Thursday

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Dear Campus Community,

The college recorded seven new COVID-19 cases on Wednesday. Over the past 14 days, 37 total cases have been recorded.

Also today, we completed the first day of mandatory COVID-19 testing for departing students with 1,348 samples taken. We will share these results when available. Testing continues Thursday and Friday. Requirements and exceptions for mandatory testing are online at plattsburgh.edu/COVID-19.

By direction of the county health department, 79 students (39 on-campus and 40 off-campus) and five employees are in mandatory or precautionary quarantine. Additionally, four students are in precautionary isolation having tested negative with rapid tests but awaiting back-up PCR test results.

Decisions by the health department for quarantine are based on an assessment of potential exposure to help prevent possible viral spread. Those in isolation and quarantine are being released as they recover and risk times expire.

We continue to see record numbers of new cases in our region, around the state and across the country. In the last week-plus of the on-campus fall semester, a focus on prevention, health and safety is critical. This includes:

- Complete the daily health screening form.
- Follow the Cardinal Pledge, including face coverings, distancing and avoiding large social gatherings.
- Stay local and avoid travel outside the area for the duration of the semester.
- Download the New York State COVID-19 alert app.

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

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