COVID-19 Cases | Monday Update
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Dear Campus Community,

The college recorded eight new COVID-19 cases on Monday. Over the past 14 days, 81 total cases have been recorded.

Of the new cases, five were identified from Friday's pooled samples and three from separate tests. The balance of Friday's surveillance tests were negative and participating students have been notified. One pool of 12 samples from Thursday's surveillance testing remains outstanding.

**Limit Gatherings and Activities**
Many of you have already left the Plattsburgh area or will be returning home soon. With a rapid acceleration of cases in all locations, COVID-19 is a factor wherever we go. Best practices now are crucial to reduce the spread of the virus and to keep each of our communities safe.

As I wrote over the weekend, those who remain on campus over the next few days should limit gatherings and activities to only those that are necessary. Please reach out to relevant organizers, supervisors or faculty if you have specific questions.

As we all transition to Thanksgiving break, followed by fully remote classes for the rest of the semester, I ask you to take the Cardinal Pledge each day wherever you are: wear your mask, practice social distancing, wash your hands, avoid large social gatherings, and stay home when sick.

**Testing, Isolation and Quarantine**
Pooled surveillance testing will continue Wednesday for college employees.

By direction of the county health department, 115 students (42 on-campus and 73 off-campus) and two employees are in mandatory or precautionary quarantine. Additionally, no 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 and risk times expire. 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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