

September 10, 2020

## Dear EC Community,

I am pleased to report that, as of today, there are no positive cases of the coronavirus on campus. I commend everyone's efforts and diligence in following the New York State and Elmira College guidelines.

Yesterday, the College launched a <u>public dashboard</u> that provides data on testing, positive cases (if any), and recoveries for students and employees. This information will be updated on a daily basis by the Clarke Health Center.

The College has ordered a coronavirus rapid-test system to provide the required testing for specific student groups, such as student-athletes and certain nursing majors. Students and employees, who are not required to take a test but would like to be tested, can contact the Clarke Health Center to schedule a test. Optional tests are \$75. Students: the Health Center will submit the bill directly to your health insurance. Employees: you will need to pay for the test through the Business Office and then submit a receipt to your health insurance provider. It is recommended that you check your insurance carrier's policy regarding coronavirus tests prior to scheduling a test.

## A few reminders:

- <u>Elmira College Wellness Pledge</u> one-time submission, required for all students and employees.
- <u>Daily COVID-19 Self-Screening</u> must be completed daily by each student AND employee.
- No Guest Policy:
  - Students: A no-guest policy has been implemented in the residence halls. Only residents of a particular building are permitted to enter via limited proximity card access. (Reopening Guidelines, p. 7)
  - Employees: Visitors to campus are limited to prospective students and their families who have registered with the Office of Admissions and essential vendors/visitors. All essential vendors/visitors should sign in with the respective office. (Reopening Guidelines, p. 3). The residence halls, dining hall, and academic buildings are open only to EC students and employees.

ONE PARK PLACE, ELMIRA, NEW YORK 14901 www.elmira.edu In adhering our guidelines, our Day of Caring tomorrow, Friday, September 11, will look a little different, but I encourage students and employees to take a moment and participate in the various activities that are planned throughout the day. Placing the nearly 3,000 flags along Park Place in the morning is a particularly poignant event as we reflect on all the lives lost, including EC alumnus, Darryl McKinney '97.

Sincerely,

Chuck Lindsay, PhD

President