

## **COVID-19 Updates 9.11.2020**

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## Good afternoon,

I hope everyone is doing well. In an effort to continue to promote campus safety, we will be sending out a weekly COVID-19 update. We want to continue to be as transparent as possible and ensure everyone is aware of the updates occurring on campus. Currently, there are three known active cases associated with Colby Community College (please utilize this link to track cases associated with CCC-https://www.colbycc.edu/news-information/2019-20/covid-19-updates.html). If you feel you have been potentially exposed or have additional concerns, please utilize the CCC Operational Plan to get in contact with the proper personnel. Detailed down below are some of the specific individuals to contact if you feel you have been potentially exposed or you are not feeling well.

CCC works directly with the Thomas County Health Department as well as Citizen's Health. If an individual has direct, first-hand contact, they will be contacted by the Thomas County Health Department and instructed to follow the proper COVID-19 protocols. Due to HIPAA regulations, the College is not allowed to disclose if a student has tested positive or negative for a COVID-19 test. With that in mind, please know if the College is aware that a student has tested positive, CCC is not allowing the student to return to class until they have completed the necessary requirements set forth by the Thomas County Health Department. If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know. Take care and have a good weekend.

## **Positive COVID-19 Tests**

- If a student feels the have been potentially exposed or believes they are exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19, they
  should seek medical care and COVID-19 testing from their regular health care provider or through the local public
  health authority (*Thomas County Health Department*-785-460-4596). Students should follow instructions from their
  local public health authority regarding isolation or quarantine.
- Students who are aware that they have tested positive are strongly encouraged to notify Vice President Nolan (785-460-5490, nikol.nolan@colbycc.edu). For disinfecting assistance, please call 785-460-5400.
- If a student suspects another student may be positive for COVID-19, they may report their concern, anonymously to Vice President Nolan (785-460-5490, nikol.nolan@colbycc.edu).
- Students who were exposed to laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 positive individuals are expected to notify Vice President Nolan (785-460-5490, nikol.nolan@colbycc.edu) and to follow all directions provided by the Thomas County Health Department. In the event of an exposure, employees and students may be required to remain away from College property and from campus events until approved for return by the Thomas County Health Department.

Thomas County Health Department-(785) 460-4596

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