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Dear Daemen Community Members:

As a follow up to previously sent messages, we would like to provide you with two (2) important updates: information about the criteria for “testing out” of the mandated 10-day quarantine for those students returning to campus from out-of-state locations, as well as the College’s COVID-19 vaccination portal. Please read through the brief information below. We are also providing an infographic and the full Spring 2021 COVID-19 plan attached to this email for your reference.

**Vaccination Portal**

As you know, Daemen College will be requiring all students living campus housing, students participating in NCAA athletics and students studying abroad to receive COVID-19 vaccinations when they are made available. We are strongly recommending everyone get it to help this community stay healthy. We know that there are already community members who have qualified to receive the first part of the vaccine. We are asking that persons who have received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine to submit proof to the CHIP Center online at daemen.edu/covid19upload or by fax to 716-839-8230. You will notice that we added a new section to the COVID Dashboard page to include a summary of vaccination totals for this community.

**Quarantine “Test Out” Criteria**

There have been lots of questions on how people can "test out" of quarantine for out of state travel. Currently, the policy is that someone must quarantine for 10 days. However, under the circumstances outlined below, an individual will be permitted to test out.

1. Within three days of arriving in New York State (NYS), traveler must receive COVID-19 virus test #1.
2. Traveler arrives in NYS and must quarantine for 10 full days (excludes date of arrival in NYS)
3. On day four of quarantine, the traveler must receive COVID-19 virus test #2. To schedule your test on campus, please use the scheduling tool at daemen.edu/covidtest.
4. The traveler must continue quarantining until they complete 10 full days OR two negative COVID-19 virus test results are on file with the CHIP Center.
5. If approved, the traveler will receive an email from the CHIP Center or Contact Tracing Team confirming the traveler may exit quarantine early.

For those of you who are more visual, please refer to the infographic attached for help in determining your travel and testing schedule.
Please note that both PCR and rapid antigen (nasal, oral or saliva) COVID-19 virus tests are approved for the “testing out” criteria. Test results (photo or copy) must be submitted to the CHIP Center at daemen.edu/covid19upload.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy weekend. Go Bills!