

TO:	University of Idaho Students, Faculty and Staff
FROM:	Scott Green, President
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SUBJECT:	Schedule Your Time Slot Now COVID-19 Testing

Testing is a key part of our Fall 2020 COVID-19 reopening plan, and we are making strides to ensure every **Moscow-based** University of Idaho student is tested before entering classrooms.

Testing will begin Thursday, Aug. 6, on the Moscow campus and is free of charge for Moscow-based students, faculty and staff. An assessment center has been set up at the Student Recreation Center to swab as many as 1,000 people per day in advance of fall classes. Please enter the SRC from the backside (north side) for the testing.

Anyone experiencing symptoms as defined by the <u>CDC</u> should cancel their appointment and contact Gritman Medical Center at 208-882-4511 to schedule a time to be tested at Gritman's drivethrough testing site.

Time slots are available for first come, first serve sign-up by students and university employees through the <u>online schedule</u> <u>program</u>, which also includes a short questionnaire. Faculty and staff are encouraged to be tested in early August as we will be holding Aug. 13-21 for students only. The following dates are available:

- Aug. 6-7: Students, Faculty and Staff
- Aug. 10-12: Students, Faculty and Staff
- Aug. 13-21: Students Only

• Aug. 24-26: Faculty and Staff Only

Please *bring a photo ID* and *the QR Code from the online sign-up* to your testing appointment.

Those who test negative will receive an email within approximately 24-48 hours after the analysis is complete. Those who test positive will receive a phone call from a Gritman Medical Center physician. Gritman Medical Center — our testing partner — will also send those tested a link to complete the setup of Gritman's Patient Portal. Finishing patient portal setup is not required to receive test results.

A negative test is required before students can enter a classroom in person. Testing is also required for all students who want to reside in university residence halls.

Anyone who tests positive for COVID-19 must isolate and remain so until cleared by a negative test, doctor or Public Health. Students residing in residence halls will be moved to an isolation area on campus. Greek chapter facilities each have a plan for isolation in chapter houses. Off-campus students and employees should isolate in their homes.

The university will provide all faculty and staff a face covering in kits delivered to each department/unit. All students will receive kits with a mask and hand sanitizer, which they can pick up at the SRC testing site. Questions about the kits, or any topics related to U of I's coronavirus response, can be sent to covid19questions@uidaho.edu.

The University of Idaho's testing policy is unique and the latest accomplishment in a long-time partnership between the university and Gritman Medical Center. I'm grateful to Gritman for working with us on this valuable project. Testing, along with the University of Idaho's face covering policy and other modifications for fall, will help provide a safer environment and a memorable experience for our students this semester.

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