

TO: University of Idaho Faculty, Staff and Students

FROM: Scott Green, President

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SUBJECT: Finish Strong By Following Healthy Vandal Pledge

Positive COVID-19 test results this past week increased but continued to show a relatively low percent of positive cases. We tested 999 people and saw a 2.50% positivity rate. This is the fifth consecutive week at 3% or less in positive results from 7,956 tests performed during that period. We currently have 13 students in isolation. Thank you to everyone who participated in surveillance testing. Continuing to monitor seemingly healthy people and finding those asymptomatic cases helps not only our campus, but our community. We are fortunate that our efforts thus far are paying off. Our hospital and our community are not seeing the overwhelming number of cases seen in other parts of the state.

If you are traveling for Thanksgiving and are concerned about possible exposure prior to travel, contact covid19questions@uidaho.edu to schedule a test. We are down to just two weeks before Thanksgiving Break and I ask that each of you continue to monitor your health and follow the Healthy Vandal Pledge. Not only do we want to keep our campus healthy, we want to keep our families healthy as we gather for Thanksgiving.

You all have done a tremendous job this semester. We should be proud of what we have accomplished and finish strong. Following our protocols will get us there. Keep Calm and Vandal On.

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