Provost Report

Faculty Senate

September 14, 2020

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Interim Provost
The health and safety of our campus community is our number one priority.

This website will continue to serve as a resource for the university community as leaders at Wright State and around the world respond to the global coronavirus. Information on this site may change frequently and without notice. Please check back often.

How you can be safe on campus this fall:

- Perform a daily self-assessment.
- Wear your mask.
- Keep hand sanitizer with you.
- Follow posted guidelines in buildings and dining areas on campus.
- Bring your own water bottles to campus.

For parent and student questions regarding the Wright State response to COVID-19, please call or text Student Advocacy and Wellness at 937-260-0167.
Fall Reopen

- August 19, 2020: Staff phased return to work began.
- August 21, 2020: Library reopen
- August 24, 2020: Fall Term began.

Recent changes:
- Dashboard Unveiled – September 1
- Recreation Center Open – September 8
- Campus COVID Testing Center Opening - Today
- Up next – Updated on-campus activities processes

Progress/Status

Safety Rules Compliance – Few issues on campus with students refusing to wear masks or follow safety guidelines

A few things have been/were problematic:
- Off campus gatherings – Addressing with enhanced monitoring
- Library – Addressing with enhanced education, reminders, signage
COVID-19 Dashboard

Active COVID-19 Cases

STUDENTS
13

EMPLOYEES
1

Active cases are the sum of confirmed and self-reported cases for the current week plus the previous two weeks.

Dayton Campus

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Confirmed case: In accordance with state health department and Wright State University reporting protocols, the home county health department of an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19 has notified Wright State’s Office of Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) and is working with the university to commence contact tracing because the individual is believed to have been on campus recently.
COVID Testing

Starting TODAY - Lot 20 Bus Shelter

This week – MWF 4-4:45

Requires a doctor’s order from Wright State Physicians provider

Expanding next week – M-F 4:00-4:45

Future expansion likely (see below)

Surveillance Testing:

The limited on-campus classroom/staffing/activities have minimized risk. To date, have performed only targeted surveillance testing.

Broader testing may be suggested/required by state or federal officials.
COVID Sub-Committees

Some groups are scaling back as reopen tasks ease.

Groups involved in “Contact Tracing” consolidating

Likely to pull “Testing” into distinct group, as we ramp up on-campus access to testing

If surveillance testing become more widespread/prominent, will engage with the testing center to assist with our needs.

Spring ‘21 Schedules

Spring proofs are now with the registrar: Faculty were again provided the opportunity to declare their preferred mode of instruction

Modalities targeted similarly to Fall ’20 – In-Person, Flexible, Remote

Distribution of on-campus verses remote will be similar: Anticipate 60-70% remote again.

Spring academic calendar has not been changed at this time.
Campus Reorganization

- Status – report submitted August 17

Raised interesting and important questions. Plan to address timeline recommendation first:

1. Identifying a new college structure including administrative structure.

2. Appointments of Interim Leadership and skeleton staffing for new colleges.

Plan to follow suggestions and pivot to these steps

The Health Science College has advanced, and thus emphasis will be on the potential STEM college with movement of those discussions forward

- Potential for involvement –
  
  Current committee members welcome to remain involved

For the less developed elements of the new structure, working groups could be established to further mature plans for specific academic unit reorganizations.
Searches – Provost office

Interim Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs

La Fleur Small, PhD

Interim Vice Provost for Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment and Institutional Accreditation.

Tammy Kahrig, PhD

Open Positions:

Nursing Chair/Director – posted – committee will re-engage
Dean – Lake campus – ready to post