Dear LSSU Community,

As we conclude our second week of classes, we want to remind you of our COVID-19 testing capabilities at campus.

If you feel any symptoms related to COVID-19 – namely, fever exceeding 100.4°F (38°C) or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea – or if you were directed by a medical professional to be tested for COVID-19, stay home.

Please call the Health Care Center at (906) 635-2110 and schedule an appointment. Our medical staff will make a determination about whether you need a medical check-up and/or COVID-19 test, both of which can be done at the Health Care Center.

Individuals who are asymptomatic (i.e., not experiencing symptoms associated with COVID-19) may still schedule a COVID-19 test at the Health Care Center by calling (906) 635-2110.

The COVID-19 testing technology at the Health Care Center delivers rapid results in 15 minutes or less. Along with rapid results, our medical staff will provide information about what your results mean. Positive test results will be reported to the Chippewa County Health Department, who will assume the responsibility of contact tracing and daily monitoring of individuals who test positive.

As an ongoing reminder, our plan to minimize exposure to the Coronavirus is built upon the Four Pillars of Laker Safety:

1. **Social Distancing**: Maintain six feet of distance from those around you when possible.
2. **Mask/ Face Covering**: Wear a mask or face covering over your nose and mouth when in any public indoor space and when outdoors and unable to maintain a distance of six feet or more from individuals who are not members of your household. *The circumstances in which individuals do not need to wear a face covering are outlined in the Executive Order 2020-153 in Section 2.a-2.k.*
3. **Sanitization**: Wash your hands with soap and water for 20 seconds multiple times each day or use hand sanitizer of at least 60% alcohol. Sanitize your desk, workstation twice daily, high-frequency touch surfaces, and living spaces with wipes found across campus.
4. **Personal/ Social Responsibility**: Actively encourage those around you to adhere to these pillars while doing so yourself. Remember, we are in this together and we all have a role to play in preventing the spread of COVID-19.

Please embrace your responsibility to keep our communities safe.

Sincerely,

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