

**Date:** Friday, August 14, 2020 at 10:48 AM

Hello Portland Nursing Students,

We are looking forward to welcoming you to campus and seeing you all at our Town Hall on Monday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, 4-5p.

We have developed a strategy to provide COVID tests for our 350+ Portland students of which approximately 50 are in our residence hall. Testing will be at no cost to the student. The purpose of the testing is to give us a snapshot of the prevalence of positive COVID cases which exist in our campus community. The goal is to identify and isolate positive individuals and get them the care they need. A further goal is to minimize false positive tests. Toward those ends, any student who has a previous POSITIVE COVID laboratory test should submit the test to Matt Hiller at [mhillier@linfield.edu](mailto:mhillier@linfield.edu) and should not sign up for testing at Linfield. There is a possibility of a 2<sup>nd</sup> round of testing of about 25 students two weeks later, likely focused on higher risk groups: those in residence housing.

Please read the following instructions carefully. All students, including those living off-campus, must go through the COVID-19 testing process.

Testing will occur the following times:

- Friday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, 9am-11am, noon-4pm
- Monday, August 31<sup>st</sup>, 9am -11am, noon-4pm
- Tuesday, September 1, 7:30am – 11am, noon-2pm
- Wednesday, September 2, 7:30am – 11am, noon-2pm
- Thursday, September 3, 7:30am – 11am, noon-2pm
- Friday, September 4, 7:30am – 11am, noon-2pm

Testing will be outside in the courtyard between Peterson Hall and Loveridge Hall, most likely with a unidirectional flow from parking lot side of Peterson Hall. After testing, students will walk toward NW 23<sup>rd</sup> to return to Loveridge or Peterson. All students living in residence hall will test Friday 28<sup>th</sup> or Monday 31<sup>st</sup>.

[Sign up for your timeslot here](#). Please wear a mask to testing. Students in residence will have the first ability to select a time.

### **COVID-19 Testing Protocol - saliva sample method**

- **Do not eat or drink anything (including water), smoke, or chew gum for 30 minutes prior to testing.**
- Test results will be returned within 24-48 hours, with the exception of tests completed Friday, in which case the results will be returned on Friday,.
  - If you test positive, you will receive a phone call from Linfield with further instructions.

- If you test negative, you will receive an email from Linfield with your results.

We have been working diligently to ensure that our university housing follows guidance in accordance with the CDC, the Oregon Higher Education Coordinating Commission, and Oregon and Multnomah County Health Departments.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

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