Cardinal Community,

Thank you for your continued diligence with the health and safety protocols and for making our campus a healthy and safe place during the pandemic. Due to a steady decrease in our campus positivity rate (0.4% and less over the last month), we are suspending the university’s required testing program at this time. See below for more details and reminders.

**Testing and travel**
While it is not required this month, Bluewater Lab will continue hosting testing locations on campus so university members can maintain easy access to COVID-19 tests. We encourage university members to get tested regularly - especially if taking part in high-risk activities such as attending social gatherings with limited space and traveling. If you plan to travel, remember to first research your destination's positivity rate and report your travel to Campus Health if a state you visit has a 10% or greater positivity rate. Our contact tracers will reach out to any university members who need to quarantine.

**Get vaccinated**
The COVID-19 vaccine is highly encouraged for all university members. It is one of our best tools for fighting the pandemic, and we hope all Cardinals will do their part to help our community reach herd immunity. UofL Health began vaccinating employees at the Cardinal Stadium Purple Lot this week. Starting Monday, April 12, they will begin vaccinating students. Remember:

- Current students will receive their invitation from Campus Health Services by this Friday to schedule an appointment.
- You do not have to be in a vehicle to get vaccinated at this drive-through vaccination site, but you should bring your current university ID and a driver’s license in case you are asked to present them.
- Students who prefer not to wait until April 12 for an on-campus vaccination are encouraged to seek other available locations outlined on this city website.
- If you have friends and family outside of UofL that would also like to get vaccinated at Cardinal Stadium, please share UofL Health's new public sign-up website with them.

More details regarding our plans for returning this summer and fall are forthcoming. While we are committed to returning to on-campus learning, research, operations and other activities that make up the vibrant fabric of our university, we will remain vigilant and flexible in our planning, as the pandemic could take unpredictable turns. As always, we will continue to keep you regularly updated via email and newsletter updates.

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