Hello, Privateers!

The Office of Residential Life Staff looking forward to a successful Fall semester. Please be aware of the following measures our residential students should follow to assist in lowering the risk of spreading Covid-19 within our community.

- **Have you completed your Covid-19 vaccination protocol?** We encourage you to complete a Covid-19 vaccine series if you have not completed one yet. You will be required to quarantine in your bedroom if you are in close contact with anyone who tests positive for COVID and have not been vaccinated. In some cases, this may cause students to miss exams or important classwork for which you are responsible. The best way to avoid interruptions to learning (and missing important assignments or exams) is to ensure you are up to date on your COVID vaccines. Vaccines are available at the UNO Campus Health Services on the 2nd floor of the University Center.

- **If you have been vaccinated, have you received a booster?** Visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website to determine if you are eligible for a booster. If you have received your vaccination but not received your booster in the recommended timeframe, you will be required to quarantine if you are a close contact for someone who tests positive for Covid-19. Boosters are available at the UNO Campus Health Services on the 2nd floor of the University Center.

- **Are you vaccinated and boosted but have come into close contact with someone who is positive for Covid-19?** Current CDC guidelines require you to wear a mask at all times in the presence of others for 10 days from the date of exposure, however, you would not be required to quarantine or isolate.

- **Are you experiencing symptoms of Covid-19 or come into close contact with someone who is Covid-19 positive?** You should take a Covid-19 test. Covid-19 tests are available at the UNO Campus Health Services on the 2nd floor of the University Center. The Office of Residential Life also has a limited supply of tests at the Pontchartrain Hall front desks. If you test positive, you should notify UNO of your status by submitting this form. Residential Life Staff will assist by coordinating the length of your isolation as required by the CDC guidelines. Current CDC guidelines require between 5-10 days of isolation depending on your symptoms and test status.

- **Do you have a plan for safe evacuation in the event of a hurricane?** As hurricanes and tropical storms are a concern for our area, students are encouraged to have up-to-date evacuation plans on their Pontchartrain Hall applications. Students may revisit their application to update their plans as needed. UNO's partner institutions who provide our relocation area in the event of an evacuation will not accept any students who have tested positive for COVID-19 within 10 days prior to the evacuation. Residential students who test positive for COVID-19 will need to identify other means of evacuation. For information about hurricane evacuation plans, review details provided by the City of New Orleans.

We ask you to use good judgement and care in interacting with others in our community as community members may be immunocompromised. By taking care of one another, we will have a wonderful semester and continue the legacy of excellence at the University of New Orleans.

UNO Proud,

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