

PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

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MEMORANDUM

To: PVAMU Campus Community

From: Ruth J. Simmons President

Date: August 18, 2020

Re: Confirmed Cases of COVID-19

Due to the proactive efforts of our COVID-19 team in following the standards and protocols established for returning student athletes, we offered free student testing on campus. Following yesterday's free testing onsite, we have been informed that ten students tested positive for COVID-19. Nine students were notified today through a partnership with Houston Methodist Wellness Services, and one student was tested at another location.

All students who tested positive are quarantining either off campus, at home, or in a designated separate quarantine room identified by Residential Life. The university is following all protocols recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Although most of the students who tested positive had returned to campus only for testing, any spaces on campus that they may have come in contact with are being thoroughly sanitized according to the CDC standard.

Individuals who were in contact with the affected students have been notified in accordance with PVAMU's policy and guidance from the CDC. If you were not contacted, you are not at increased risk.

It is especially important that the campus community follow the <u>CDC</u> guidance to help prevent the spread of the disease and report all positive cases to the PVAMU COVID-19 Hotline at 936-261-9000.

With your vigilance and proactive attention to safety, the university is doing everything possible to keep the PVAMU community healthy, safe, and informed.