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MEMORANDUM

To: PVAMU Community

From: James M. Palmer 
Provost & Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Date: August 22, 2020

Re: **Face-to-Face and Online Learning Update**

During this week's preparations for the semester start, the University offered free COVID-19 tests through a partnership with Houston Methodist Wellness Services. During the last several days, a number of students tested positive and are now in quarantine, as reported on the PVAMU [Coronavirus website](#).

Given the University's continuing efforts to ensure the health and safety of the PVAMU community, we will proceed with **all 4000-level and graduate fully face-to-face designated coursework starting as scheduled on Monday, August 24**. Students taking those courses who are not comfortable meeting face-to-face have the option of meeting remotely for the first two weeks of classes. College of Nursing faculty will communicate with undergraduate students regarding clinical/practicum and face-to-face course requirements and scheduling. **All other courses will begin the first two weeks fully online**. Student activity in eCourses will constitute attendance.

Over the next two weeks, the University will make provisions **to test students** who reside in campus housing as well as those taking face-to-face or hybrid coursework. Students may provide evidence of a test, or they can test on campus free of charge. Further details will be provided in the next few days about additional testing and how to share evidence of results. Current campus testing information is [available here](#).

It is important that the campus community follow [CDC](#) guidance to help prevent the spread of the disease and report all positive cases to the PVAMU COVID-19 Hotline at 936-261-9000. Let's continue our vigilance and work together to ensure the safety of everyone at the University.

xc: Ruth Simmons, President