

October 8, 2021

Dear Colleagues and Students:

These are ever-changing times. We know there are a number of hurdles to overcome; collectively we will accomplish the Chancellor's directive and guidance by focusing our efforts on these two priorities:

- To safeguard the health, safety, and welfare of our faculty, staff, and students
- To enable students to progress toward their educational goal

## Positive COVID Cases

This week there was two reported student cases and no employee cases.

## NHCC Vaccine Clinic Today

**There is a vaccine clinic today**, Friday October 8 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Center for Business & Technology Grand Hall (CBT 195). The two-dose Pfizer vaccine will be administered. They will administer first and second dose vaccines and booster shots. The clinic is open and free to employees, students and community, and no advance registration is required.

## Testing

We are contracting with Homeland Health (our flu shot providers) to bring weekly nasal swab COVID-19 testing on campus by October 20. The tests will be given every Wednesday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in ES 01. Employees will be able to schedule their own appointment time. Results will take 24 to 48 hours, however employees can continue to work while awaiting their results. If you selected testing in VaxTrak, you will be notified of the weekly testing and scheduling process. Contact Victoria DeFord with any questions at [Victoria.DeFord@nhcc.edu](mailto:Victoria.DeFord@nhcc.edu). For more information about the Employee Vaccination Policy, [view the Minnesota Management and Budget \(MMB\) HR/LR Policy #1446](#), or [view the COVID-19 FAQs for state agency employees](#).

Better Together,

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