

Return to Campus update

December 30, 2021

Dear Colleagues,

I hope you are enjoying the holidays and have been able to spend some quality time with family and friends.

I am writing with an important update on our return-to-work plans.

The Chancellor's Cabinet continues to closely monitor the public health situation in our county. The health and safety of our students and employees has remained our top priority throughout the ups and downs of the pandemic. With the alarming recent increase in COVID-19 cases, and rapid spread of the highly contagious Omicron variant, the Chancellor's Cabinet has decided to move to fully remote operations for the first two weeks in January. Some essential workers will return sooner due to operational and business necessities. This decision is being made out of an abundance of caution to ensure the safety of our students and employees.

During these two weeks, employees will be expected to regularly perform job responsibilities, which include monitoring and responding to voice and email messages. Employees may also be required to work onsite for immediate essential duties that cannot be completed remotely. Employees should plan to check in with their supervisors daily throughout the first two weeks in January for any changes to schedules or urgent needs, particularly during this very critical time preparing for the spring semester.

We are now planning for a full return to in-person operations on January 18, 2022.

Please expect to receive more detailed information from your supervisors on work schedules and any changes to operations.

As always, we encourage you to protect yourself by getting vaccinated. For more information and resources, visit the <u>California Department of Public Health's MyTurn website</u>.

Thank you for your continued patience as we tirelessly navigate the challenges of this pandemic.

Stay safe,

Lynn Ceresino Neault, Ed.D., Chancellor