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**President Anthony L. Jenkins, Ph.D.**

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Hello, Coppin Family:

We are entering week three of the fall semester like no other. I want to recognize you all for your adaptability and remarkable resilience as we chart through this time of unprecedented challenge.

As you may recall, last week, we launched a COVID-19 Visitor Center, in continuing our efforts to help keep the Coppin campus community as safe as possible. It's now mandatory that all campus visitors are directed to the James Weldon Johnson Auditorium entrance and box office. There, a staff member will greet and inform them of our campus COVID-19 protocols, including submission of a symptom assessment form, verify that they have a mask or other face covering (masks will be provided, if needed), and direct them to their location of interest since all buildings will only be accessible through the use of the CSU Eagle ID card.

The COVID-19 Visitor Center will be open from 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and details regarding the operation and location will be available on the [visitors webpage](#). Visitors will also have opportunity to complete the symptom assessment online, prior to coming to the campus. Any questions related to the COVID-19 Visitor Center should be directed to [COVID-19@coppin.edu](mailto:COVID-19@coppin.edu).

### **COVID-19 Testing**

Our September campus testing was done, last week, and I am happy to know that many of you are taking advantage of our campus test location led by incredible nursing staff in the CSU Community Health Center. Please, be reminded that all students, faculty, staff, and campus vendor employees who will be reporting to campus, for any reason, must provide monthly coronavirus test results to designated university personnel.

All students, faculty, staff, and campus vendor employees must provide confirmation of negative test results by September 25. For September, your most recent test must have been conducted on or after September 8, 2020.

Testing on campus will continue to be required monthly, throughout the semester, and will be provided to faculty, staff, and students through the CSU Community Health Center, at no cost.

Students can submit confirmation of testing and results to the CSU Community Health Center at [healthcenter@coppin.edu](mailto:healthcenter@coppin.edu).

Employees can submit confirmation of testing and results to the CSU Community Health Center at [AskHR@coppin.edu](mailto:AskHR@coppin.edu).

Vendor employees should submit testing confirmation to their designated university point of contact.

Questions regarding testing or results should be directed to the Health Center at 410-951-4188.

If you are unable to have your test done on campus, this [link](#) provides other area locations that can accommodate you for testing, at no cost. Testing must have been conducted within 14 days of the date of submission of your results to the university.

If you need to report to campus but are unable to be tested by September 25, students should contact the Community Health Center at 410-951-4188, and employees should contact Human Resources at 410-951-3666 or email [AskHR@coppin.edu](mailto:AskHR@coppin.edu). Do not report to the campus until you have contacted either of these departments and received further instruction.

October testing and compliance dates will be announced, soon. Keep in mind the simplest and best practices to protect yourself and others against the spread of coronavirus:

- Daily symptom monitoring, which can be done using one of the links, below:  
[Student Online Assessment](#)  
[Employee Online Assessment](#)
- Use of a mask or face covering inside campus buildings and outside on campus grounds, in accordance with local orders
- Physical distancing of at least six feet between individuals
- Compliance with local guidance on events and gatherings
- Vigilant hand hygiene (washing, sanitizing, limited face-touching)

As of September 21, 2020, we have 1 confirmed, currently active positive campus case of COVID-19, and we have taken and will continue to take measures that ensure the well-being of our campus. The CSU COVID-19 Task Force and I continue to work closely with the University System of Maryland as well as state and federal agencies to inform our decision-making and share the latest available information.

Please, continue to monitor our website at [coppin.edu/coronavirus](http://coppin.edu/coronavirus) for details and updates. Any questions related to Coppin State's COVID-19 preparations and protocols can be submitted to [COVID-19@coppin.edu](mailto:COVID-19@coppin.edu).

Thank you for your continued patience and flexibility as we navigate the safest path for our campus.

Be safe and remain Coppin Strong: Masks On!

Sincerely,

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