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Message sent on behalf of Miles K. Davis, President

I'm sorry to report that two additional students on the McMinnville campus tested positive on Friday afternoon, in different residence halls than the previous cases this week.

Based on those results and with an abundance of caution, in order to do everything possible to protect students, faculty and staff, we are announcing a pause of in-person activities until Wednesday. This includes in-person classes as well as athletic practices and meetings.

Employees on the McMinnville campus are encouraged to work remotely on Monday and Tuesday, if possible. Please coordinate with your supervisor to assess the feasibility of remote work, as well as the logistics of doing so.

Starting immediately and continuing until at least Wednesday, students are reminded not to remove masks around anybody other than roommate(s) and to avoid visiting any residence hall or off-campus housing in which they don't live. Any student who willfully violates these or other safety protocols will not be allowed to continue residing on campus or attending in-person courses during the spring semester.

Additional detailed information will be coming soon for students, faculty members and staff members regarding the specifics of their situations. In the meantime, as the earlier Hewitt Hall message said, anyone with questions is encouraged to send them to covid19ert@linfield.edu. Additional information is also available on [Linfield's Be Wild for our Health webpage](#).

One piece of good news this evening is that all 47 students included in the first batch of Hewitt Hall tests came back negative. Students living in the hall are still being asked to quarantine in place until further notice, but the lack of additional positive tests is a good sign.

This is an unprecedented time in our history, and I'm sorry for the difficulty that continues to cause for everyone. We have and we will continue to try to meet the mission of Linfield University while protecting the health and safety of everyone in our community.

Be well.

Miles K. Davis, president