Return to Campus Planning for Spring 2021

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Return to Campus, Spring 2021

- Classes will begin January 11, no matter the modality of instruction.
- The residence halls will be open as scheduled as will many other facilities such as the Library, the Union, and the Ski Hill.

- Should a state order remain in place mandating remote instruction on January 11, classes will still start on time and will continue in a remote format until the order is lifted.
- Instruction will be conducted under our Health and Safety levels 3 or 4.
Testing

- At the start the spring semester we will be asking all students to get a free COVID-19 test.

- Testing will occur the week before classes start for those students who are able to arrive in the Houghton area early and during the first week of instruction for students who arrive for the start of classes.

- Our testing and subsequent surveillance monitoring (as we did the fall) will allow us to quickly identify cases and maximize our ability to have face-to-face instruction.

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Testing Communication

- More information will be provided in the coming weeks regarding how to schedule a test.

- **We appreciate your willingness to be tested** as this gives our community the greatest opportunity to return our campus health and safety level 3 and maybe lower as continue into the later parts of the spring semester.
We recognize that you may still have more questions at this time.

- At this time, the factors determining what scenarios will impact our return to campus are determined by the State.
  - We remain optimistic that the state’s positivity rate flattens over the next few weeks and the restrictions imposed to help stop the spread of COVID-19 are lifted.

- As we learn more, **we will be sure to communicate that to you**. Please be sure to check your email and the MTU website regularly for updates and information.