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The following excerpt from President Smith's Feb. 10 message to campus pertains to the University's response to the pandemic:

COVID-19 Cases, Dashboard

For the fourth consecutive week the number of COVID-19 cases involving students and employees has declined. In the seven days ending Feb. 8, the University administered 847 COVID-19 tests that resulted in 18 positive cases, for a positivity rate of 2.13%. A total of 48 positive cases were confirmed during this period. Please visit the [University's COVID-19 Dashboard](#) to learn more. Other than the one-time spike in cases immediately following the holiday break, campus positivity rates remain extremely low. Vaccination data for students and employees is also posted on the site.

A reminder that free COVID-19 testing is available at the campus [Testing Center](#). And, the University will host another [community vaccination clinic on Saturday, Feb. 19, from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.](#) in the Student Center Ballroom. No appointment is necessary.

Health and Safety Reminder

As we head into the weekend, it is important to reiterate some of the key safety protocols we should follow:

- Practice effective hand washing and the use of hand sanitizers;
- Wear face coverings, particularly when indoors in public areas;
- Observe physical distancing; and,
- Get vaccinated (or boosted) if you are eligible.

These actions, when taken together, dramatically reduce the risk of contracting COVID-19. And, vaccination minimizes the severity of cases in most situations, for those who do contract the virus.

As always, I thank you for your work on behalf of the University and your ongoing support of our #EMUSafe initiatives. Please continue to monitor your University email for future updates.

James Smith, Ph.D.

[The complete message, which includes information on Black History Month, the Changing the Cycle program and PBS NewsHour coverage of EMU's efforts to resettle Afghan Refugees, [can be found on the President's Office website.](#)]