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Dear members of the University of Maine community:

I'm writing to you this afternoon to let you know that two University of Maine students living off campus in Orono and one student living in a fraternity house have tested positive for COVID-19. Maine Center for Disease Control protocols are in place.

The students are in isolation and their close contacts are in self-quarantine.

One of the students participated in the asymptomatic testing program on campus; the others were tested at alternative sites.

Following public health protocols, the Maine CDC is managing the cases.

The University of Maine's phase one testing program is working as intended. We have identified our first case of asymptomatic infection through that program. We will be following our comprehensive, science-based plans to maintain vigilance and support all known affected individuals, and to trace and isolate to minimize the spread of the virus and keep our community safe.

The University of Maine System [dashboard](#) provides updates and transparency on asymptomatic on-campus tests we will be conducting here at UMaine and across UMS to keep our students and communities safe. Per reporting protocols, only individuals testing positive through the university's testing program are noted on the dashboard and updates are made the day following reports.

We will continue to provide updates as appropriate in Friday Futurecasts. Information about CDC-led university protocols regarding outbreaks is [online](#).

It is critically important that if you are sick, stay home. Please review the [CDC guidance on coronavirus symptoms](#). For questions related to the UMaine community, call the COVID information line, 207.581.2681.

Joan Ferrini-Mundy
President

