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Weekly Horoscopes
Star Signer
January 17, 2022

This week's horoscopes are for all of those Harry Potter fans out there. Read on to find out which character you would be in the books or movies based on your zodiac sign.

ARIES

Aries, you can be quite full of yourself sometimes, but you can also have a witty side to your personality. You would either be James Potter or one of the Weasley twins.

TAURUS

Taurus, you easily get jealous and you can be extremely patient when you are working towards a long term goal. You would be Severus Snape.

GEMINI

Gemini, you can be cunning when you need to be and are often inconsistent. On the flipside, you are also versatile and witty. You would either be Draco Malfoy or Ginny Weasley.

CANCER

Cancer, you can sometimes be overly emotional and clingy, but you always come to aid when your friends need your help and you are fiercely loyal. You would definitely be Dobby the house elf.

LEO

Leo, you are generous and warm hearted, but you can sometimes come across as bossy and intolerant. You would be Hermione Granger without a doubt.

VIRGO

Virgo, you can be quite the worrier and quite frankly a bit harsh. You are also very intelligent and analytical, meaning you would be great as Professor McGonagall.

LIBRA

Libra, you're easy going and sociable but also a bit indecisive. You would either be good as Ron Weasley or Hagrid. It's truly a toss up.

SCORPIO

Scorpio, you're determined and passionate, but you can also be quite obsessive. You would be great as Sirius Black or even Harry Potter himself.

SAGITTARIUS

Sagittarius, you can sometimes be blindly optimistic and most of the time you are honest and straightforward. You can be slow to learn but you always come through in the end. You would be the best Neville Longbottom.

CAPRICORN

Capricorn, you are often very practical and you are always ambitious. Sometimes you can be a bit pessimistic. You would do very well as Molly Weasley or even Hermione Granger.

AQUARIUS

Aquarius, you are very intellectual and independent but you are also unpredictable and sometimes even unemotional. You would no doubt be Albus Dumbledore

PISCES

Pisces, you can often be seen as secretive, vague and idealistic. You are also imaginative and sensitive. People often judge you without really getting to know you first. You would fit perfectly into the sweet sensitive character of Luna Lovegood.

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Events on Campus Week of Jan. 17

Alexis Wisler

January 17, 2022

Events for the week of Jan. 17 include Winter Fest, Black Student Union Bridging the Gap, and a Women's Basketball game against Northern Kentucky.

Monday, Jan. 17

1:30 p.m. | Christians on Campus Bible Study | Rike 157

Tuesday, Jan. 18

11 a.m. | Winter Fest Tabling | The Hangar

12 p.m. | Chi Alpha Campus Ministries Tabling | Student Union Market

5:30 p.m. | Campus Recreation Running | Alumni Tower

6 p.m. | Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity Movie Night | The Manor

6 p.m. | Tabletop Club Ludo's Dissonance | Rike 044

Wednesday, Jan. 19

11 a.m. | Chi Alpha Campus Ministries Tabling | The Hangar

11 a.m. | COB- Warm Up with Alpha Xi | Dunbar Library Starbucks

12 p.m. | Fraternity and Sorority Council Brownbag Chat | Student Union 103

5 p.m. | H2O Church Night Life Group | Oelman 135

6 p.m. | Black Student Union Bridging the Gap | 009 Student Success Center

Thursday, Jan. 20

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11 a.m. | Winter Fest Tabling | Student Union Market

2 p.m. | Christians on Campus Bible Study | Rike 157

5:30 p.m. | Campus Recreation Running | Alumni Tower

7 p.m. | Club Softball Tryouts | McLin Gym

7 p.m. | H2O Church Night Life Group | Allyn 124

Friday, Jan. 21

11 a.m. | American Medical Student Association and Muslim Students Association Tea Party | White Hall Atrium

6:30 p.m. | TableTop Club Presents: DND1010 | Fawcett 204

Saturday, Jan. 22

4 p.m. | Women's basketball vs. Northern Kentucky | The Nutter Center

6 p.m. | Winter Fest | Student Union

Sunday, Jan. 23

No events currently scheduled.

High Levels of Lead Found in WSU Drinking Water, Two Locations

Jamie Naylor

January 17, 2022

Tests of Wright State University's (WSU) water system continuously found traces of lead in drinking water, despite low lead levels in local area water systems. A WSU administrator responded to the situation.

Tap water results

In accordance with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), WSU conducted water testing on the Dayton campus in December 2021 and published the results in a consumer notice report.

The water system was tested for a variety of chemicals and metals including chlorine, sulfate, copper and lead. According to the report, high levels of lead were found in drinking water in two locations on campus.

"Wright State's University water system has found levels of lead in drinking water above the federal action level of 15 parts per billion (ppb) at one tap location in two buildings. The level of lead reported at these locations was 18.1 to 19.8 [ppb]," the report states.

According to the report, three other locations had high levels of lead but fell below the legal limit. If samples exceed the legal limit, public water systems must notify their constituents, treat the water and, or follow other EPA requirements.

According to Marjorie Markopoulos, director of WSU's Department of Environmental Health and Safety, these water results are not common and the university does not need to act on them.

"...these [tap water] results are not common for our system and the EPA in fact does not consider levels like these to be actionable," Markopolos wrote.

These are not the first test results that showed elevated levels of lead in WSU's drinking water. In October 2020, the university detected lead levels exceeding the federal action levels at 20.3 micrograms per liter ($\mu\text{g/L}$). In May 2021, six drinking water spots had above legal limits of lead.

WSU's improvement efforts

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According to Markopoulos, the university water plant is working on upgrades to improve water quality and service. This includes the addition of Clearwell, a disinfection process.

Markopoulos further explained how in the past distribution lines were replaced. The last replacement of these lines was in 2011 and 2012, approximately 10 years ago.

It is uncertain whether the university has a plan to further update these lines or work on piping.

Local water systems

Other local universities like the University of Dayton use the Dayton public water system which serves the greater Dayton area.

This system is annually tested for chemicals and metals, including lead. The city water reports for 2020, show little to no lead in the system.

“Lead and copper were not detected in most of the samples collected at residences in 2020. During the most recent Lead and Copper Rule compliance period (2020) ninety (90%) of the samples collected in “worst-case scenario” (not flushed) were below 4.1 ug/L for lead,” the report states.

According to the city of Dayton water website, the system undergoes regular upgrades as well as treatment.

WSU Students Gather to Celebrate MLK and his Legacy

Eliza Jackson

January 17, 2022

Students at Wright State University (WSU) showed their appreciation for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and celebrated his life by hosting two events to express what he means to them culturally and personally.

A Student's dream

On Monday, Jan. 10, students gathered inside the Bolinga center to craft and share their personal aspirations of Dr. King's inspired dream and their vision for WSU.

Students shared what MLK week represented to them and engaged in conversations about the week.

"We have to remember our history and demonstrate our own practices of activism to make sure people understand the struggles we continue to face today," student Gary Neal said.

Each student had a passionate attachment to the week since Dr. King inspired them all in different ways. Students shared their aspirations and why they chose to celebrate MLK week.

"I just want things to be easier for us, all I could really ask for is peace," student Brianna Green said.

A lot of students backed up her statement, sharing that majority of them have felt the same.

All about the peace

Quatez Scott, the intercultural specialist of the Bolinga Black Cultural Resources Center, pushed to express peace during this week.

On Tuesday, Jan. 11 he provided an overview of the life of Dr. King through a virtual event where he highlighted King's idea of peace within his forms of justice. In his speech, Scott illuminated the works of Dr. King and how he approached the five faces of oppression, which include exploitation, marginalization, powerlessness, cultural imperialism and violence.

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“The hope is that folks not only see Dr. King as the great activist and organizer that he was for racial and economic equality, but that people learn to appreciate how much he embodied the concepts of peace that lead to a justice-oriented society,” Scott said.

Dr. King is widely known for his political activist roles in American history. Scott was able to bring light to how not everything should be dealt with violence, and how Dr. King, a noble leader, was a strong believer in such an idea.

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Men's Basketball: Nagy Not Pleased With Team Defense

Parker Testa

January 18, 2022

Wright State University (WSU) Men's Basketball headed into their Jan. 6 contest against the University of Illinois-Chicago (UIC) Flames after a two-game stretch without head coach Scott Nagy who was sidelined due to COVID-19 protocols.

Nagy returned to the Raiders' bench against the Flames and got the win 90-72.

WSU struggles early

The Raiders struggled out of the gates, allowing UIC to get out to a 9-2 lead while shooting just one for seven from the field.

WSU then started to heat up, making their next 11 shots courtesy of Tim Finke, Tanner Holden, Trey Calvin and Grant Basile. Calvin was the star of the first half, putting up 14 points as the Raiders took control heading into the halftime break leading 42-35.

UIC's Kevin Johnson provided a majority of the Flames' first-half scoring with 11 points.

WSU continued their hot streak in the second half, shooting 75% in the first nine minutes. The Raiders led by a score of 71-50 with 11 minutes remaining in the game.

UIC started to knock down shots late, putting down five three-pointers in the span of five minutes to cut the Raider lead to just 10 with 3:45 remaining. The Raiders' defense held on to secure a 90-72 victory.

Nagy not satisfied

Although his team got the win, Nagy was not pleased with his team's defense after the game.

"I don't like our defense, we're still not to the one point per possession that I want," Nagy said. "If we're ever going to win a conference championship, we've got to play better defense."

WSU guard Tim Finke also commented on the team's defense.

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“Our defense was pretty off at the beginning, they were getting some open looks,” Finke said.
“That’s one thing we talked about at halftime was ball pressure.”

Although Nagy’s team has propelled themselves back into Horizon League contention, he is still not satisfied with his squad’s defensive and rebounding abilities.

“We are not a good rebounding team, and we are not a good defensive team. It’s bothered me all year,” Nagy said.

WSU's Housing COVID Guidelines Lenient Compared to Other Ohio Institutions
Brendan Blankenship
January 18, 2022

Wright State University (WSU) currently has the least strict COVID-19 housing guidelines compared to other Ohio universities.

WSU COVID housing guidelines

WSU communications sent out a campus-wide email on Jan. 7, 2022, stating that all in-person events will go as planned during the spring 2022 semester.

The email states that students should isolate if they test positive for COVID and quarantine if exposed according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) quarantine guidelines. The quarantine guidelines were recently changed to five days.

Dan Bertso, director of residence life and housing, stated that there are also isolation apartments set up for students whose roommates test positive.

When deciding on COVID guidelines, WSU bases its COVID measures on what other universities do, according to Bertso.

"We take any measures other colleges implement into consideration once we learn about them, and then decide if they're appropriate for our campus," Bertso said.

Other universities' measures

Miami University (MU), a similarly sized university compared to WSU, released a campus update on Jan. 12 outlining its COVID restrictions for the start of the spring 2022 semester due to rising cases caused by the Omicron variant.

MU requires its residents to provide a polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test upon return to campus with the test needing to be administered no more than three days before return. MU is also limiting in-person activities and canceling, postponing them, or moving them to virtual platforms.

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Ohio University (OU), another university with a slightly higher enrollment rate, released an update regarding COVID guidelines on Jan. 11.

OU requires its residential students to be tested weekly according to this update. Residential OU students are also unable to have guests that are not students.

WSU continues to require masks in residential areas other than rooms or apartments. There are no current updates in guidelines other than the new CDC quarantine changes at the time of writing.

Average Cost of Textbooks Decreases With OhioLink Resources

Jamie Naylor

January 18, 2022

The cost of textbooks for Wright State University (WSU) students decreases as OhioLink provides alternative course materials and faculty resources.

Average cost of textbooks

During the Dec. 10 Board of Trustees Meeting, the board approved the annual Affordability and Efficiency report.

The report, required by the Ohio Department of Higher Education, reviews the university's financial efficiency, staffing and textbook affordability.

The department requires Ohio public colleges and universities to make efforts towards lowering textbook costs.

According to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 report, the average cost for new textbooks is \$71.77 and the average cost for used textbooks is \$53.79. This is significantly lower from previous years.

In 2018, the average cost for new textbooks was \$140.82 and \$96.88 for used books according to the FY2018 affordability and efficiency report.

OhioLink

WSU is a part of OhioLink, a collaborative, state-run network of educational resources that universities and their faculty members receive assistance in finding affordable options for their course materials and course textbooks.

Anna Bendo, director of affordable learning initiatives for OhioLink, explains how the organization works with major textbook publishers, like McGraw-Hill, to provide textbook discounts for universities. OhioLink also offers a variety of programs to university faculty members to assist and educate how they can make course materials more affordable.

"Textbooks are increasing in cost at a much higher rate than most things and [it is] a burden for students of those textbooks new every semester," Bendo said. "I do think faculty are not only aware of this problem but want to do something about it."

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Some instructors automatically include OhioLink resources in their course, while other materials can be accessed through Wright State Libraries.

WSU Masking Policy at Nutter Center: Non-Compliance Concerns

Desiree Money

January 19, 2022

Wright State University's (WSU) indoor mask policy extends to affiliated sporting and educational events at the Nutter Center as confirmed COVID-19 cases are on the rise.

Mask mandate

Regardless of vaccination status, WSU continues the mask mandate for all students, faculty, staff and visitors in all indoor areas on campus. This mandate applies while attending sporting and educational events at the Nutter Center.

"If you are at a Wright State Athletics event inside the Nutter Center or are there for class or any other reason other than an external event, then [...] campus safety protocols are in place and you should expect to need to wear a mask indoors," Seth Bauguess, WSU's director of communications, said.

Events not affiliated with WSU

However, these campus safety protocols are not extended to non-affiliated events hosted through the Nutter Center.

"[...] if you are [at the Nutter Center] for an external event like a concert or a show that is serving the broader community, the safety protocols for that event are determined by the artist and event promoter and may differ from the university's [...]," according to Bauguess.

The Nutter Center arena can host up to 11,200 individuals at one time and is currently open for external event booking.

Student opinion

Full-time undergraduate student, Madeline Kreuger, understood the mask policy to be in place during sporting events but shared that not everyone follows this rule.

"Some people would just lower their masks as soon as they reached their seats," Kreuger said.



Kreuger said that she is still willing to attend games at this time.

Current COVID climate

Rolling into 2022, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) confirmed over 20,000 new COVID cases in the state of Ohio as of Jan. 12.

“Last week the highest number of COVID-19 cases were reported so far in the pandemic and we know for certain that this is an underestimate of cases because reported numbers do not reflect the backlog of testing around the holidays, the number of positive self-tests not registered and burdened surveillance systems that miss cases around the world.” World Health Organization (WHO) director-general, Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, stated during the WHO’s Jan. 6, 2022 press conference.

The CDC suggests all individuals self-quarantine following potential exposure to COVID.

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Shorthanded Loss Snaps Men's Basketball Win Streak

Noah Kindig

January 19, 2022

Wright State University (WSU) Men's Basketball was forced to play shorthanded in both of its games this week, winning the first 75-73 over the Robert Morris Colonials (RMU) and losing the second 87-90 to the Youngstown State Penguins (YSU).

With four players for the Raiders sitting out due to COVID-19 protocols, and four others out due to injuries, WSU only had seven players in their fifteen-player roster fit to play in this week's games, with five of those being scholarship players.

This led to nearly four players in both games playing a full game without a break, and WSU's players completely worn out at the end of the games.

"I'm sure fatigue did catch up with us, it had to," Jim Brown, former Head Coach of WSU, said. "But still, these were two gutty performances by the Raiders with only five scholarship players, they just got worn down a little bit."

Down on defense

Just as he has all season, Head Coach Scott Nagy is still drilling into his players that the team's defensive play needs to improve.

"Our kids are heartbroken in there, and it's unfortunate," Nagy said after the close loss to Youngstown. "But if our defense doesn't get any better then we're gonna feel this way a lot."

The Raiders currently have the second-worst defense in the Horizon League, allowing 75.1 PPG. Of WSU's eight losses this year, in five of them, including the loss against Youngstown, the Raiders scored 75 or more points but still ended up losing the game.

"You know, this game kind of takes me back to the first game of the season at Marshall," Chris Collins, a commentator for WONE 980 AM, said after the YSU game. "You score 80 plus points, but you give up 90. In that case, a little above 90."

While the Raiders are scoring 75.4 PPG, the second-best in the league, their defense just is not enough to win a championship over a team like the Oakland Golden Grizzlies, who score 75.5 PPG and allow 66.1.

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“We have enough offense, our defense is just not good enough right now to win a championship,” Nagy said. “You can’t give up fifty points in the second half.”

No excuses from Nagy

While WSU’s lack of available players affected the outcome of the game, Nagy gave no excuses for the loss and stated they should have won the game.

“Our kids played their butts off, but there will be no excuses,” Nagy said. “We are very disappointed we didn’t win this game. Flat out we should have won.”

The win for the Penguins came off of its dominant play in the second half, where they scored 50 points in 20 minutes of play and scored in 11 of their last 13 possessions to win by three points.

In the last few minutes of the game, where play largely matters the most, the Raiders seemed too tired to muster a defense against the Penguins.

“When you can’t get consecutive stops in crunch time ... it puts so much pressure on your offense, “ Brown said. “We just couldn’t stop them.”

SGA to Award Thousands in Scholarships This Spring

Alexis Wisler

January 19, 2022

Student Government Association (SGA) met on Tuesday, Jan. 18 to discuss their Endowed SG Scholarship Fund and President Jonathan Ciero gave an update on the Provost Search Committee as well as future changes to their constitution.

Endowed SG Scholarship

SGA alumni Jason Lansdale and Elizabeth Conzo gave a presentation on the two current SGA scholarships, one being the annual SG (Student Government) scholarship fund and the other the Endowed SG Scholarship Fund.

According to Lansdale, a 2000 WSU graduate, the purpose of the Endowed SG Scholarship is to create a lasting fund that continues to generate revenue.

Currently, the Annual fund is \$3,100, and the Endowed fund, which started in 2015 with \$10,000 of raised funds, is \$14,982. Lansdale stated that they want to spend the Annual fund to \$0 and close the account so that any future money raised can go into the Endowed fund, which accrues interest.

“We are going to be handing out well over \$3,000 in scholarship money this spring, so our Director of Academic Affairs [Krista Long] has formed a Scholarship Committee and I know the plans out of the committee are to establish an application process as well as awarding out all those funds from the \$3,100 account balance,” Ciero said.

Provost Search Committee

Ciero gave an update on the Provost Search Committee, stating that the search for a new provost to replace current Interim Provost Oliver Evans is almost complete.

“We are whittling down to a short list of candidates so that we can move forward with the first round of interviews,” Ciero said.

The committee hopes to find a new provost around March, according to Ciero.



Bylaws and constitution changes

"I want to let everyone know that we will be making some constitution and bylaws changes," Ciero said.

The changes will be discussed in the executive session next week and confirmed during SGA's Feb. 1 meeting.

419 Alive: The Anchor
Kristina Shue
January 19, 2022

The Anchor is the newest bar and restaurant to come to historic downtown Celina, offering drinks, dinner and entertainment.

Revitalizing downtown

Jacob Poeppelman, owner-operator, and Mandi Bruce, general manager, opened The Anchor bar and restaurant in July 2021. The establishment is located in the historic Charlie's Bakery building, which had been empty for some time.

"We wanted to help see Celina downtown grow again and be active, and I think it's definitely starting to move in that direction," Bruce said. "It's waking up."

Although it was initially envisioned as more of a bar aimed at patrons in their 30s and 40s, The Anchor has become a welcoming place for all demographics. Lunch specials are popular among older adults, drinks with younger adults, and even teens and families frequent the new restaurant.

"Initially we thought that it would be more of a bar, but people loved the food so much, and we offer kids menus," Poeppelman said.

The physical set-up of the interior has also led to more of a restaurant atmosphere.

"What we did with seating in the space kind of made it lean more restaurant than we initially intended, but I think the community basically decided, 'you're a restaurant,'" Bruce said.

The Anchor offers a comfortable and welcoming atmosphere for everyone in the community to enjoy.

Experience and local roots

Both Poeppelman and Bruce have extensive backgrounds in the food industry with roots in the Celina restaurant community. Poeppelman's first job as a teenager was at Romer's Catering which led to 16 years of food industry experience, while Bruce's was at Pullman Bay Restaurant

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and she has since accumulated 27 years of experience. The Anchor is Poeppelman's first restaurant of his own.

"I've done every position, even brewing, outside beer sales, really everything involved with bars and restaurants," Poeppelman said.

The pair has gained invaluable experience from their many years working with local restaurants and have incorporated resources from their peer establishments in the Celina area in their own business to the benefit of The Anchor and the local restaurant community.

"We're competitive in the fact that we want to do everything the best way, but restaurants are all in it together. If one restaurant is going to be doing good, everyone is probably doing good," Poeppelman said.

Throughout the month of November, The Anchor featured collaborative items on their menu featuring foods from local establishments such as Casa Rodriguez, Celina Wine Store and The Fountain Restaurant.

"As restaurants, we were able to come together and I think that's helping the community. Like, you can work together with people, not everything has to be 'this is mine, and this is yours, and we're going to fight,'" Bruce said.

Coping with the pandemic

Since their opening in July, The Anchor has not faced dramatic hardship due to the ongoing pandemic aside from a few supply chain issues. Although existing businesses in Celina have been significantly negatively impacted by the pandemic, The Anchor has seen its own business boom.

"When we opened, we thought we were going to have to bring people in, so we started booking stuff [live music, trivia nights, etc], but even if we don't, we're just so busy," Poeppelman said.

Upcoming events

The Anchor will be participating in Celina's newly established First Fridays program, a monthly themed event in the downtown business district inviting the community to come see what Celina establishments have to offer.

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February's theme is "chocolate walk," and The Anchor will be offering chocolate-themed specials and drink specials on the evening of Wednesday, Feb. 4, 2022.

Social media

To learn more about menu offerings and drink specials and to keep up-to-date on events, check out The Anchor's Facebook page here: <https://www.facebook.com/TheAnchorCelina>

People More Contagious Before Showing COVID Symptoms, WSU Professor Says

Alexis Wisler

January 19, 2022

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recently shortened the quarantine guidelines despite the Omicron variant spreading rapidly. A Wright State University (WSU) professor shares the science behind the change.

New guidelines

The CDC changed the COVID-19 quarantine guidelines from 10 days to five days past a positive test. This is the second change to the quarantine length, which was originally 14 days at the start of the pandemic in 2020.

“Given what we currently know about COVID-19 and the Omicron variant, CDC is shortening the recommended time for isolation for the public. People with COVID-19 should isolate for five days and if they are asymptomatic or their symptoms are resolving (without fever for 24 hours), follow that by five days of wearing a mask when around others to minimize the risk of infecting people they encounter,” the CDC said on its [website](#).

According to WSU Director of Communications Seth Bauguess, WSU’s quarantine guidelines are updated to match the new CDC guidelines. This is the only change the university has made to its COVID guidelines.

The science behind the change

The shortened quarantine guideline came as a shock to some, as the Omicron variant spreads across the country at a rapid pace. However, Dr. Dawn Wooley, Professor of Neuroscience Cell Biology & Physiology at WSU, says that there is a scientific reason behind the change.

According to Wooley, the average incubation period for COVID, or the time it takes from the virus entering someone’s body to when they show symptoms, is six days. When a person tests positive, the incubation period has already occurred.

“See, that is taking into consideration that if you’re already positive then it has already incubated. So that makes a lot of sense in that regard,” Wooley said.

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Wooley also said that at five days past a positive test, which is past the incubation period, someone is less likely to be contagious even if their symptoms still persist.

“Interestingly, people are more contagious before they have symptoms,” Wooley said.

According to Wooley, people with COVID are most contagious, on average, two days before they show symptoms and one day after their symptoms develop. This is another reason why the CDC shortened the quarantine period.

WSU’s response

The new, shortened quarantine period is the only change WSU has made to its COVID protocols. However, Dean of Students and head of WSU COVID Task Force Chris Taylor insists that the university is taking this pandemic seriously.

“In a large and diverse community like ours, it is reasonable for not everyone to agree on how best to manage something that affects so many of us. Throughout this pandemic Wright State’s top priority has been and continues to be to protect the health and safety of our students, faculty, staff and visitors to campus while still providing a high-quality and affordable education,” Taylor said.

Taylor encourages anyone who has feedback on the university’s COVID guidelines to reach out to him directly or contact covidtesting@wright.edu.

Career Services: Success Stories and Available Resources

Emily Mancuso

January 20, 2022

Resources and support come together at career services where students and alumni both join to bolster their career success.

Services provided

Whether a fledgling to a new career or an experienced alumni, there are services available to everyone regardless of status or experience.

One such service is interview practice where students can practice for the following types of interviews; in-person, virtual, panel, digital and more.

If a student needs help with salary negotiation or career transition, they can set up an appointment with career services for that as well. Events for professional networking opportunities, however, are least likely to be taken up by students.

“What we try to do is hold information sessions or recruiting sessions or career fairs. We bring employers on campus to conduct workshops and all types of things. We try to bring the business community to campus. And I think the students don’t take enough advantage of that,” Lance Culey, Associate Director of Career Services, said.

Hundreds of these networking events take place every year.

The most common request across the board is for assistance with resumes for either internships or future careers.

Resumes and internships

One such student is Chynna Spitler, a senior physics major who visited Career Services to create a strong C.V. (Curriculum Vitae) for an upcoming internship. Spitler originally started out as an engineering student but transitioned to physics.

Spitler worked with a career consultant for the College of Science and Math to compose a resume, C.V. and personal statements. This preparation earned Spitler an R.E.U. (Research

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Experience for Undergraduates) at the University of Michigan funded by the National Science Foundation. After this, Spitler was assisted to finalize their graduate school applications.

“They’re very flexible and understanding and working with students, no matter at what point in your career, whether it’s grad school, R.E.U. or professional,” Spitler said.

Students may also find themselves wanting to change majors or find their passion as Spitler did.

Finding yourself

Madison Knab is a senior English major with a concentration in technical and professional writing and was originally an anthropology major. In 2019, Knab approached career services to find out more about what they really wanted for a career.

“So helping students with their work really inspired me to change my major to something that I’m really good at,” Knab said.

With further planning, Knab is now going to pursue a master’s in library and information science. No matter major or year in school, career services can help students find out what they are truly passionate about.

Students may schedule an appointment with career services on RAPS, which can be accessed through WINGS or email the career consultants for their preferred colleges. Be on the lookout for professional networking events posted on [Handshake](#) website or the [career services website](#).

WSU Trying to Keep up Amid Surge in Demand for COVID Tests

Brendan Blankenship

January 20, 2022

Wright State University (WSU) reports it is keeping up with COVID-19 testing demands despite national and local test shortages.

Local shortages

Local pharmacies like CVS and Walgreens now require appointments when scheduling a COVID test, according to their website.

CVS lists on their COVID test scheduling tool that appointments are limited due to the nationwide increase in demand for COVID tests.

Walgreens has few appointments available in most of their pharmacies around the Dayton campus.

WSU's testing

Dean of Students Chris Taylor stated that WSU ran out of tests on Thursday, the first week of the spring semester.

The WSU community had a large increase in demand for COVID tests upon the first few days of school, but the testing center has been able to keep up with demand since, according to Taylor.

"We receive 500 tests per week from the Ohio Department of Health [ODH]," Taylor said.

Taylor also stated that the COVID task force has tried but has been unsuccessful in getting a private supplier for COVID tests.

WSU also wants to allow students to use their Wright1 card at a vending machine next to the COVID test center that would dispense a free COVID test if the center is not open, according to Taylor.

Other universities' shortages

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Ohio State University's Wexner Medical Center said in its COVID test scheduling tool that its emergency department is only allowing COVID tests for those expected to be hospitalized due to their symptoms.

Other universities also have a limited test supply. Miami University discussed the national and local test shortage in a campus update on Jan. 12.

"We are aware of the shortage of at-home COVID tests, both locally and nationally and we are working with our partners at the state and TriHealth to acquire at-home tests for our community," according to the update.

The Wright State Guardian reached out to Bowling Green State University, but they did not provide a response.

Taylor also stated that students can check the COVID test center [web page](#) for test availability.

Club Spotlight: Bowling into a Successful Career

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Wright State University's (WSU) Collegiate Club Bowling is more than just throwing balls.

What is club bowling?

The Club Bowling team tryouts are held at the beginning of September, and the season lasts until April. The team is separated into two to three sections of bowlers each year depending on the roster of members on the team. The club is separated into the Men and Women's Varsity and Junior Varsity (JV) teams.

Each year the Club Bowling team competes in tournaments nationally, with the hope of placing in Sectionals, which precede the Collegiate Nationals and Collegiate Club Nationals in April.

"In March they cut to the top 80 teams that are ranked and then they split you up into four sectional groups," said senior bowler Jonathan Ciero. "So you essentially walk in with 20 other teams at your sectional, they're some of the best 20 teams in the country. They'll send 20 teams to each of the four tournaments and then you bowl 64 Baker games over two days and then the top 16 teams go to Nationals."

Core values

Students on the team learn about more than just bowling though.

WSU Club Bowling Program co-founder and Coach Jeff Fleck joked that at the end of their bowling tenure, they would have a minor in bowling.

"They learn leadership skills, a lot of mental skills and how to prepare under pressure. I think a lot of things that you can apply to move on in adult life and to have a career," Fleck said.

Operating under the slogan "Team Before Me," the bowling team adapts the skills to work fluidly as an individual and as a team.

"Even though we are all individual bowlers, we have to be good as a team to succeed, which is the beautiful part about bowling as a sport," Ciero said.

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Fifth-year bowler and first-year masters student Jessica Pitt commented on how the lub bowling team affected her college career.

“The team is a great way to meet friends. My first year it helped to ease a lot of stress. It’s actually how I met my boyfriend. It’s funny how a lot of things never would have happened if we hadn’t joined the club,” Pitt said.

What’s next?

With an approaching varsity team play at the Tier 1 Kegel Midwest Classic in Addison, Illinois on Jan. 15 through 16, team members are aiming for a win to help boost their leadership scores in the preceding weeks before Sectionals in March.

The men’s team is currently ranked 24 in the nation, and the women’s team is close behind at 28 in the nation. After the high of their early conference tournament win at the American Heartland Bowling Association in October, Ciero has high hopes for the next conference tournament on Jan. 22 in Toledo.

“Our main goal is making Nationals this year but on top of it, we also get to go to our club national tournament every single year,” Ciero said. “We’d love to be able to do well and bowl while there and win.”

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The Future of Film at Wright State University

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Motion pictures students at Wright State University (WSU) forge their own paths when it comes to their future careers, which include different paths such as the owner of a production company or a movie director.

By the numbers

A program review of liberal arts in 2015 states the motion pictures program grew with 82 students enrolling in B.F.A. (Bachelor of Fine Arts) for motion pictures and 13 for the bachelor's program for the Fall of 2013, respectively. The number of graduates in total for both programs in 2013 was 19 students.

For the year 2021, the number of graduates for the B.F.A. program was 15 students, not counting those in just the bachelor's program. With consideration to the previous program review, the number of graduates has remained approximately the same from 2013 to 2021.

B.F.A. students study motion pictures history, video production, theory and more.

Student futures

Jude Powell is a motion pictures B.F.A. student in his second semester at WSU. In high school, Powell joined a career technical education program where he found that he enjoyed the art of motion pictures. Powell chose WSU due to the available scholarships and variety of programs. In his first year, Powell is focused on exploring his interests.

"I have a general interest directly embedded inside right now. But I'm excited to expand more as teachers show more and I'm able to get more hands-on experience," Powell said.

Powell hopes to get involved in the short film circuit after graduation and make a name for himself in the Dayton film community.

Sophomore Bryson Schultz, another motion pictures B.F.A. student, hopes to further his acting endeavors and create a production company. Schultz's focus as a motion pictures student is on writing and directing, skills he uses to work on his independent projects.

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“Right now, I’m working on getting more equipment and once I graduate I want to start more planning on that feature [project],” Schultz said.

Schultz plans on possibly moving to Chicago for both acting and film production but has not yet decided in regard. Currently, he is working on comedy sketches and other film projects.

It is not yet confirmed how the possible restructuring of the liberal arts department will affect the motion picture program.

Noah's Picks: Standout Teams of the Horizon League

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With the conference schedule well underway for Horizon League basketball, several teams and players have already started to emerge as the best of the best in the Horizon League.

With teams around the conference looking stronger than ever, a few of these teams and players have started to get some national recognition, winning some games over big teams and leading the nation in some statistics.

As every Horizon League basketball team has played at least five conference games this season, these are my picks for the standout players in the Horizon League for Men's and Women's Basketball.

Men's Basketball: Oakland wants Moore

At the beginning of the Basketball season, it was the Milwaukee Panthers, Cleveland State Vikings, and the Wright State Raiders (WSU) that looked like the scariest teams in Men's Basketball.

But, thanks to the recent play of Jalen Moore and Jamal Cain, the Oakland Golden Grizzlies (OAK) have taken control of the HL standings, and look nowhere close to stopping as the last undefeated team in the conference.

Moore is arguably the best player in the nation at setting his teammates up for success, leading the nation in assists per game (APG) at 8.3, and still averaging 15.3 points per game (PPG) for the Golden Grizzlies.

"He just finds tight windows," Jay Bilas, an analyst for ESPN, said. "The guy is a great passer with incredible speed."

Cain has almost averaged a double-double for OAK, averaging 19.8 PPG and 9.5 rebounds per game (RPG)

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The graduate transfer is third in the Horizon League in PPG, helping an Oakland team that struggled in offense earlier in the year to a 7-0 conference start.

Women's Basketball: IUPUI scares top-25 teams

While the Indiana University – Purdue University Indianapolis Jaguars (IUPUI) currently sit third in the HL standings for Women's Basketball, when playing its best basketball, the team is a threat to even top 25 teams.

Led by three-time league player of the year Macee Williams, the Jaguars have played two top 25 teams in Michigan, who currently sits at #11, and Iowa, who currently sits at #15.

IUPUI lost to Michigan 62-67 but took the Wolverines into overtime, giving the BIG-10 opponent a scare. However, they bounced back against Iowa, beating the ranked team 74-73 as a final shot for Iowa bounced off the front of the rim.

What makes this team such a threat is its three best shooters, with Williams dominating in the paint averaging 18 PPG, and shooters Rachel McLimore and Rachel Kent both averaging double-digit PPG.

The Jaguars currently sit 13 in the mid-major top 25 and will look to get a shot in the NCAA tournament this season after being denied last year by WSU women's basketball.