Dear Yellowjackets,

I know you’ve received many messages this week regarding the university’s response to COVID-19. As you can imagine, there are many layers of communication that need to happen in a situation like this, so I appreciate your patience and understanding as we work to keep you informed.

Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers has issued a safer at home order. As of 8am Wednesday, March 25 until April 24, all nonessential businesses are to close, and the governor is requesting that people stay at home as much as possible. If you are planning to move from the residence halls, we have been granted permission for you to continue with these plans. For residents who will remain on campus, please follow the guidelines of the governor and limit your travel to and within our community. If you have questions, please contact reslife@uwsuper.edu.

Minnesota Governor Tim Walz has also issued a stay at home order effective 11:59 p.m. Friday, March 27 through Friday, April 10. Please follow the guidelines of the governor and limit your travel to and within your community.

Current Fully Online/Students Learning at a Distance: While there is no disruption to your online courses, we fully recognize that other aspects of your life have likely been impacted by your local area’s response to COVID-19. You are an important member of the UW-Superior community, and your success and well-being are important to us. If you have any issues or circumstances that are impacting your academics, I encourage you to reach out to your instructor(s). Additionally, the Dean of Students Office (dos@uwsuper.edu or 715-394-8244) and Student Health and Counseling (shcs@uwsuper.edu or 715-394-8236) are available for consults and referrals on managing your well-being.

For students or those who planned to visit campus between today and April 24: The following buildings are closed to the public until further notice:

• Erlanson
• Barstow
• Holden Fine and Applied Arts
• Swenson Hall
• Marcovich Wellness Center
• Wessman Arena
• Library
Yellowjacket Union will be open every day for access to grab-and-go meals and mail pick up during the following hours:
9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

To reduce access points and aid in cleaning and sanitation efforts, access to the Yellowjacket Union is limited to one entrance point, which are the doors facing parking lots 2 and 11 (facing Burger King). A hand sanitizer stand is located at this entrance. I encourage you to use the hand sanitizer upon entering and leaving the YU.

Additional information regarding how best to connect with student services offices will be forthcoming.

Finally, as we engage in social distancing and self-isolation, make sure you’re tending to your emotional health and well-being. Call or Facetime your friends and loved ones. Go for a solo walk or run outside. In time, we will all look back on this moment in history and hopefully recognize our growth from this transformative experience.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact the Dean of Students Office at dos@uwsuper.edu or 715-394-8244.

We appreciate your flexibility during this rapidly evolving situation.

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