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Students:

My name is Lindsey Dahlberg, the Director of Environmental Health and Safety at UW-Superior. I want to share some important information with you regarding the [Coronavirus](#) (COVID-19).

We believe that the risk to the campus community is low for these important reasons:

- **There are no suspected or reported cases of Coronavirus on campus or in the Duluth/Superior area.** The closest confirmed case to us is in Madison, Wis., where that person immediately sought treatment at University Hospital and is now self-isolated at home.
- **UW-Superior does not have any students who are from Wuhan, China or the Hubei province of China, where the Coronavirus was first identified.** In addition, we are not aware of any employees or students who have traveled to Hubei Province since the outbreak began.
- **We are not aware of any UW-Superior employees or students who have been exposed to Coronavirus.**

The UW-Superior Emergency Response Team and UW System are actively monitoring this situation. I will notify you if there are any significant developments.

Here is what you should do:

- Continue to practice preventative wellness efforts to avoid this and other viruses, including:
 - Cough and sneeze into your elbow rather than into your hands
 - Wash your hands regularly or use hand sanitizer
- Contact your primary health provider or Student Health & Counseling Services if you are experiencing Influenza-like symptoms
 - Courtesy Cab is available for students who reside on campus and need transportation to their local care provider at no cost. To arrange a ride, call 218-590-9222 and identify yourself as a UW-Superior student.
 - Stay home or in your residence hall if you're sick

- Visit the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) or the [World Health Organization](#) websites for more information about Coronavirus
- *Remember: if someone feels ill, it does not automatically mean that they have contracted Coronavirus*

I would like to take this opportunity to express empathy for members of our UW-Superior community who may have connections with any of the locations where the virus is now surfacing. It's important that we recognize as a campus community that this is a stressful time for some of our fellow Yellowjackets and that we should demonstrate compassion and support.

As mentioned, we are actively monitoring this situation and will notify you if there are any significant developments. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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