

Good Afternoon,

As you may have heard, the ND Department of Health on Saturday (March 28) issued a new Travel Quarantine Order under its legal authority outlined in ND Century Code related to Communicable Disease Confinement Procedures. In helping adhere to the Order, MSU is tightening access to campus buildings. A couple of updates:

1. The attached [POSTER](#) is affixed to the entrances of the Administration Building and Student Center. Please note the three screening questions. Beyond Administration/Student Center, if you happen to be accessing your office in any other building on campus, you must self-screen with these questions. Additionally, if you are going to meet with a student on campus (or any other member of the general public), those individuals must also pass the screening to gain access to a campus building. It is the responsibility of the MSU employee to ensure they have screened themselves as well as any other individual who might be with them (student or otherwise). This new protocol is effective immediately.
2. Beginning tomorrow (Tuesday, March 31), there will only be two doors unlocked for entrance into the Student Center/Administration: the main front entrance (east parking lot; entrance near the Post Office/Info Desk) and the southwest entrance (door closest to Dakota Hall). All other doors will remain locked (aside from the loading dock and Sodexo access).
3. We have 28 students remaining in the Residence Halls (primarily international students). They have all been (or are in the process of being) interviewed today by Student Health Director Melissa Fettig to ensure they pass the screening test per the new Travel Quarantine. Any that cannot pass the screening will have to follow the quarantine protocol. Beyond that, nearly 70% of students have now moved out of the Halls. If you hear of any other students wanting to move out in the immediate future, please have them call the MSU Housing Office to discuss their options before they come to campus.
4. Finally, we are continuing to strictly abide by the physical distancing guidance requiring a six foot space between people. Please adhere to this anytime you are on campus (and, frankly, anytime you are in public). Aside from hand-washing/sanitizing protocol, physical distancing remains one of the best ways to prevent spread of the virus.

The ND DOH Quarantine Order can be found here: <https://www.health.nd.gov/diseases-conditions/coronavirus/travel-quarantine-orders>. Please be sure to share this with any relatives or friends that might be impacted (the attached map [GRAPHIC](#) is useful).

Thanks, and happy Monday,

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