

Dear College of Idaho Community:

We are sending this communication to inform you that five College of Idaho community members are currently under self-quarantine after having contact with a person visiting our campus who had been in contact with a person who has since tested positive for COVID-19. The person who was on campus is showing no symptoms and the health department has not recommended COVID-19 testing for this person. However, out of an abundance of caution for the safety of the campus community, all five community members are currently under quarantine to limit their contact with others.

To reiterate, the person who was on campus was not the person who has tested positive for COVID-19, but came into contact with a person who did test positive. The contact with the College community is a full step removed from direct contact with a person who has tested positive for the virus. But the College is taking every precaution to keep our community members safe.

To be clear, there are currently no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Canyon County or at The College of Idaho. Earlier today, before the knowledge of the positive COVID-19 test of an Idaho resident, the College decided to move to an "online classes only" model after the conclusion of Spring Break on March 30. On the advice of health professionals, given the extremely low risk represented by these new developments, the original schedule for moving exclusively to online courses remains intact.

The College has a webpage with the latest updates on COVID-19 that includes updates, news and our communications to the campus community to outline what the College is doing to mitigate exposure. Please visit <https://www.collegeofidaho.edu/covid-19-updates> to learn more.

We will continue to update our community as new developments arise. Please continue to practice preventive measures to keep our community safe.