

March 22, 2021

Dear Heidelberg Students:

We are strongly encouraging all students and employees to get their COVID-19 vaccination at their earliest opportunity and most appropriate location. Vaccination is a good thing for each of us and our community in the fight against this horrible pandemic that is still killing lots of people in our country and around the world. More vaccination information is forthcoming this week.

The Ohio COVID 7-day running positivity rate is hovering at 3.2% and 23.8% of our state population has received at least one vaccination dose. Seneca County remains on Red Alert with high risk. Heidelberg's cumulative campus positivity rate is now at 0.92% after over 5,100 tests, which is double the testing we did in the fall. We have had no positives in the last 12 days and we have no active cases in our campus community. Please <u>click here to see our Berg</u> <u>COVID-19 Spring 2021 Dashboard</u>.

Congratulations to our football team for the smashing victory in their first game in 16 months on Friday night! Athletics Director Matt Palm told us that the Student Princes played 27 different OAC competitions over the past week. Wow!

I encourage everyone to <u>register</u> and attend the 11th annual *Lichtman-Behm Genocide Lecture Series* at 11:00 a.m. tomorrow. This virtual event will focus on the Armenian genocide..

I want to remind students again to <u>sign up</u> now and present their research at the virtual *Heidelberg Life of the Mind Student Research Conference* on April 13th.

We should all be very proud of the Krammes Buildings & Grounds Team for the extraordinary work on our campus over the past year. All members of Krammes deserve our praise and especially the Custodial Crew for doing their regular jobs and extra deep cleaning against the COVID-19 threat.

Let us maintain our campus health and success for everyone ... masking, distancing, and testing ... and choosing to vaccinate!

Respectfully,

Rob Huntington President