Anyone who has been around Whitman for a little while has received at least a few reminders to get your COVID-19 vaccine. As we begin the fall semester, Whitman continues to follow the guidelines set forth by the CDC and Whitman’s Health and Counseling Services. We have had our first wave of students arrive. Two more waves are coming in on Monday and Tuesday. It’s time to get focused on protecting each other and being as safe as possible.

### Fall 2021 Coronavirus Task Force

The task force updates the campus community weekly and is comprised of over 20 members from across staff, faculty, and student leadership. The goal is to provide updates, answer questions, and keep the campus community informed of changes.

### Round 2 Baseline COVID-19 Testing

As Preventive Medicine has more students and faculty on campus, more COVID-19 testing is required. All students who are quarantining because of exposure to someone with COVID-19 must test 3-5 days after exposure. Even if you remain asymptomatic and wear a face mask at all times when indoors, maintain at least 3 ft. of distance from others and get tested 3-5 days after exposure. If you are fully vaccinated and a close contact to someone with COVID-19, you must test 3-5 days after exposure. You can test if you want, but you must test before being allowed to return to campus.

### Q: If I'm fully vaccinated and I've been exposed to someone with COVID-19, what do I do?

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### Chamber Singers Auditions

Open auditions to join the Whitman College Opera Workshop presents a program of scenes from operas, musicals, and now, broadly conceived by 11 renowned artists. This exhibition in Sheehan Gallery offers artistic experiences that are designed for understanding Indigenous presence here especially so this year. Adam Kirtley, interfaith chaplain in the Office of Religious Support.

### Interactive Gallery Installation: Tapestry of Journeys

The start of a new school year can be an exciting and anxious time—perhaps even more over the course of 24 hours; whether or not either individual is masked has no bearing on the definition of “close contact.” “Close contact” is defined as being within 6 ft. of another person for 15 minutes or more.

### Happening Today

- **Whitman Wind Ensemble Auditions Begin**
  - All brass, wind and percussion players are welcome to audition for the Whitman Wind Ensemble. The audition sign-up sheet is located on Professor Gary Gemberling’s office door.
- **Wind Ensemble Auditions Begin**
  - Oce of Communications and is emailed Monday through Friday to Whitman College sta, faculty and students. All times are listed in Pacific Daylight Time.
- **Orchestra Auditions Begin**
  - All string, wind, and percussion players are welcome to audition for the Whitman Orchestra. The audition sign-up sheet is located on Professor Paul Luongo’s office door.
- **Open auditions to join the Whitman College Opera Workshop**
  - Whitman College Opera Workshop presents a program of scenes from operas, musicals, and now, broadly conceived by 11 renowned artists.
- **Fall 2021 Athletic Facilities Recreational Use Information**
  - Whitman athletic facilities are now open to students, sta and faculty with fall campus access. For recreational use, indoor mask mandates are in effect at all times. Indoor recreational use is open to all students, sta and faculty. If an individual cannot wear a mask at all times, they must be approved for an approved vaccine exemption and wear a face shield while exercising or drinking. State masking guidance does allow coaches and student-athletes to remove their masks when actively participating in competition.
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- **Chamber Singers Auditions**
  - Chamber Singers is a 24-member select ensemble specializing in unaccompanied choral music from the 15th to the 21st centuries. Chamber Singers auditions are open to all students, sta, faculty, and community members. All interested singers are welcome to sign up for an audition.
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- **Support.**
  - If you have an event you’d like to share with campus, submit the information to the Office of Communications.
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### More Whitman Today Content

- **Health and Counseling Services**
  - The Health and Counseling Services website is a valuable resource for students, sta, and faculty.
- **Whitman Events Calendar**
  - The Whitman Events Calendar is a comprehensive listing of campus events.
- **Coronavirus Task Force**
  - The Coronavirus Task Force is a group of faculty and sta working to protect the health of our students, faculty and sta.
- **Policy Guidance**
  - The Office of Policy Guidance is responsible for developing and implementing policies and procedures.

### Whitman Today Archives

- Previous issues of Whitman Today are archived on our website.