Whitties on the Frontlines

In this article and accompanying video, Whitties around the country share their experiences working in health care during the coronavirus pandemic.

Coronavirus News

The Walla Walla County Department of Health reported four new coronavirus cases in the past week and removed two cases that were attributed to residents of another county. Of the total 118 confirmed cases, 108 residents are now recovered and seven are in isolation.

Coronavirus Task Force Update: Preparing to Reopen Campus

Preparations continue progressing for bringing faculty, staff and students back to campus. Tuesday we will begin the first phase of reopening campus to non-essential employees on a per building basis. No one should return to campus until they hear from Human Resources or their supervisor that they are authorized to do so.

Campus buildings will remain closed to visitors, community members and family members. This policy will continue all the way through the fall semester. Additionally, if any member of our campus community conducts travel outside of our contiguous states (Oregon and Idaho), that person will need to quarantine for 14 days before returning to campus.

Read the full Coronavirus Task Force Update for further details on policies and procedures relevant to all faculty, staff and students for the summer and into the fall.

Whitman’s Coronavirus Info Center

Announcements

Whitman Coronavirus Podcast Series

This seven episode series was created by Anna Boyes ’20 as part of her audio storytelling technology internship with WCTS. By humanizing the stories of Whitman community members, listeners can consider the wide variety of ways people experience the coronavirus pandemic.

Happening This Week

THURSDAY, JUNE 18

12 p.m. Home Alone Conversation Group for Employees

A weekly virtual meeting for faculty and staff who are working from home, alone. This is an open, drop-in style group.

More Upcoming Events

Have a virtual event you’d like to share with campus?

Email the details to whitmantoday@whitman.edu.

Seen Around Campus

Photos, drawings and flowers contribute to the community-created memorial space at Glover Alston Center honoring George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Ahmaud Arbery and all black bodies across the country.

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