



Nebraska State College System

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April 17, 2020

Dear Students and Staff,

Today, the Governor announced the partnership between the Nebraska State Colleges, the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), and the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) to potentially use residence halls at Chadron, Peru, and Wayne State Colleges in the event that citizens who do not need immediate hospital care would need to be quarantined.

There are no COVID-19 quarantined individuals currently being housed at the Colleges, and there is no immediate need for these rooms. Students and staff will be notified if that need arises. Your health and safety are very important to us, and if this plan is implemented, each College will take steps to keep you safe. If any students or their belongings need to be moved, you will be contacted by the college.

The quarantined individuals would be isolated to a designated building with oversight from DHHS and NEMA. The Colleges will identify specific facilities at each campus that could be made available for this purpose. We have determined that, if needed, between Chadron, Peru, and Wayne State, we could make up to 642 rooms available by mid-May.

Together with the University of Nebraska System, just under 3,000 rooms have been identified across the public four-year colleges and universities. As a community partner for rural Nebraska and the state as a whole, we believe it is important to offer our colleges' resources to serve the people of Nebraska during this public health crisis.

Sincerely,

Paul Turman
Chancellor