



## Student Affairs

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Dear Daemen Community Members:

August is almost upon us and with that we will see a number of students, faculty, and staff returning to campus in accordance with the pre-determined schedule that Daemen has created.

As you may be aware, New York State has issued a 14-day quarantine for anyone traveling to NYS from 22 different states. This is a rapidly growing list, which started relatively small a few short weeks ago. In order to ensure the safety of the campus community and to keep travel guidance consistent for our students who are living on campus, we are prepared to quarantine all out-of-state students for 14 days. Communications have already been made to our out-of-state students regarding return timing and preparations are being made to handle all of the logistics that go with this, including move-in, food delivery, testing, and more.

However, while we have a good handle on working with our students who live on campus, I think it is important to clarify expectations for non-residential students. While we would recommend not traveling out-of-state right now, we realize that this may not be possible in some instances. If that is the case, please note that Daemen has no flexibility with the required 14-day quarantine. If you have to be back on campus for a certain date, please plan at least two extra weeks at home in quarantine. Also note that receiving test results are now taking closer to 9-10 days as opposed to the 2-3 days we were seeing earlier this month.

Daemen is still doing COVID-19 testing for ALL community members before returning to campus. In the next week or so, we will have a system in place where students and Wave 4 employees can sign up for a date/time for the COVID test.

In the meantime, I felt that it was critical to make sure that you are aware of these travel restrictions and to plan accordingly. Again, Daemen is committed to opening safely and we cannot take any chances. If you are in a position to not travel out-of-state right now, it is probably for the best.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

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