

# Whitman Today

Thursday, April 30, 2020

## Coronavirus News

In the past 24 hours, there were six new positive coronavirus tests in Walla Walla County for a total of 68 confirmed cases.

Washington Gov. Jay Inslee says he'll extend the stay-at-home order for the state, and will outline what reopening the state's economy will look like on Friday. That reopening would happen when he and state officials feel the threat from the new coronavirus has receded.

The governor said in a press conference on Wednesday that public health data is leading him to extend the stay-at-home order, which has closed thousands of businesses and limited large gatherings for more than a month. That order was scheduled to lift at the end of the day on May 4. Inslee also announced on Wednesday that some elective procedures could resume at hospitals.

Whitman's Coronavirus Website

#### Announcements

See the Latest on Virtual Campus

Check out the talents of your fellow Whitties on the <u>Whitman Virtual</u> <u>Campus</u>. New videos include a Drip Drop Dance Troupe virtual lesson with Julia Wilke '21, a Tiny Futon Concert with Andy Burnstein '20 and a sourdough bread demonstration with "The Novice Baker." On Saturday, check the website for a new video about how to use the bike fixing station at Reid Campus Center. Have a skill or talent to share? <u>Submit your skill!</u>

## **Campus Resources**

Security Team Here for Your Safety Whitman's security team continues to monitor campus to ensure the safety of our students, staff and faculty. If you have concerns, you can reach them at 509-527-5777.

## **Online Learning Tips and Tools**

Virtual STEM Tutoring Available

Online tutoring is available for many STEM classes, including biology, chemistry, computer science, geology and physics. Learn more and see hours on the <u>student resources</u> webpage under "STEM Hub."

**Online Learning Resources for Students** 

#### Health Reminder

Don't Forget: Wash Your Hands!

The best way to prevent the spread of COVID-19 is to wash your hands with soap and water for 20 seconds frequently. That means before and after you handle food or eat; after using the restroom; when entering and leaving public spaces; and when touching any shared surfaces.

Health and Social Distancing Tips

# Happening Today and Tomorrow

TODAY

4 p.m.

#### Upperclass Housing Q&A Live Chat

Rising juniors and seniors are invited to a live chat with Residence Life staff about housing for next year. Sign up at least one hour prior to the event.

#### TOMORROW

1 p.m.

#### Trails Talk with Rick Bombaci

Join Spring Break Engagement Trip program leaders Alejandra Wait '22 and Jackie Jones '22 for a discussion with Rick Bambaci of the Wallowa Mountain Hells Canyon Tail Association regarding adjustments to the "newnormal" and impacts of COVID-19 on the trail association.

More Upcoming Events

Have a virtual event you'd like to share with campus? Email the details to whitmantoday@whitman.edu.

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