



Whitman Today

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Coronavirus News

There were no new positive coronavirus tests in Walla Walla County in the last 24 hours. So far there have been 94 confirmed cases in the county and 41 residents have recovered from the virus. As the U.S. and Europe loosen their lockdowns against the coronavirus, health experts are expressing growing concern over what they say is an all but certain second wave of deaths and infections that could force governments to clamp back down.

The number of children with a mysterious illness most likely connected to COVID-19 is growing. There are now at least 64 reported cases in New York state and several more across the U.S. and in Europe. Symptoms include a high temperature lasting over five days along with a rash, swollen neck glands, dry cracked lips, swelling of the hands and feet, and redness in both eyes. The condition suggests that, contrary to early hopes, young people will not be spared from the virus's effects.

[Whitman's Coronavirus Website](#)

Announcements

Bookstore Buyback and Rental Returns

The Whitman College Bookstore is happy to announce that students can participate in an online book buyback with the textbook wholesaler. The bookstore is unable to hold an in-person buyback this semester. Students can [sell back their books online](#), and will receive a free pre-paid shipping label.

For students with rentals to return, the deadline for returning books has been extended to July 10, 2020. You should receive an email with instructions and the [form you need to fill out](#) for each book you are returning. Students living off-campus will need to mail back their rental books. Students living on-campus may place their books in a box or sealed bag and drop them off at the campus post office. [See post office hours.](#)

Employee Student Loan Forgiveness Program

If you are a faculty or staff member and participate in the Public Service Loan Forgiveness program, you might be interested in how the CARES act may impact your student loan repayment options. You can visit [this federal student aid website](#) or [myfedloan.org](#) for more information.



A special "thank you" message from Superintendent Wade Smith to the Whitman students who volunteer in Walla Walla public schools.

Resume Challenge Deadline Extended

The Student Engagement Center has extended the deadline for submissions to the [Resume Challenge](#) to Sunday, May 10. Awaken the art of resume construction, precision and professional narrative! An exceptional resume is key to professional success. [Learn how to enter.](#)

Campus Resources

Welty Student Health Center

For students remaining in Walla Walla, the [Health Center](#) is available by appointment only. If you need to see a provider, call 509-527-5281 for assistance. All students can access free virtual care through [UW Medicine](#). The virtual clinic is available to all persons, regardless of where you live in the U.S. If you have left Walla Walla and have health concerns, you may call the Health Center at 509-527-5281 for assistance in finding a local resource.

Happening Today & Tomorrow

Today

4 p.m.

[WTTM Talk: "Whitman is Complicit: Your Hard History," with Kate Shuster](#)

Whitman Teaches the Movement sponsors a talk by Kate Shuster focusing on the legacy of indigenous slavery and its relationship with African enslavement, looking at the intersection of the brutality of forced labor, colonization and the West.

Tomorrow

8 p.m.

[Intramural Trivia Night](#)

Join us for a fun trivia night! We'll be using a combo of GoogleMeet and Kahoot, so make sure to find your team and have a cell phone/tablet/laptop nearby.

[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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