Update to Students on Campus Sanitation Efforts

This message is being sent on behalf of Brian Brown, director of facilities and operations:

Good afternoon all,

I wanted to take a moment to share with the College community some information regarding the numerous efforts currently underway to clean and sanitize our campus daily to prevent the spread of infectious germs, especially in light of the global health crisis posed by the COVID-19 outbreak.

Our building care manager, Steve Gelsi, is meeting with his staff daily to review protocol and provide further clarity and direction. His staff have moved to using sanitizing products which meet the minimum level of active ingredients that health experts say are necessary for treating potentially infected surfaces and areas. Facilities staff are using these products to clean and wipe down surfaces in all common areas, both in our residence halls and in our academic and administration buildings. This includes desks, tabletops, counters, chairs, door handles, bathroom fixtures, and so forth. I want to stress that these products do not pose any hazards to those in our campus community.

I am glad to report that, despite the national shortages you may have heard about, we were able to purchase a four-ounce bottle of pocket-size hand sanitizer for every student on campus. When students return, they will find one in their mailbox. We encourage students to use these, as well as two dozen wall-mounted dispensers that can be found around campus.

My staff and I continue to monitor the rapidly evolving coronavirus situation. Although there are still no reported cases of COVID-19 on our campus or anywhere in Cayuga County, we are making additional preparations to respond in the event that the illness appears on our campus.

I hope this information is helpful. If I can provide any additional clarity or answer any question, please feel free to let me know.

—Brian

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