

Sept. 9, 2020

Dear Students,

As we reach the mid-point of our second week of in-person classes, I want to thank you for your patience and cooperation with the many issues that accompany in-person instruction in a COVID-19 environment. I write to share two vitally important pieces of information with you that relate to your ability to access Dineen Hall.

**1. Accessing Dineen Hall: Code of Conduct Applies**

First, as of today, 64 of our students who'd expressed their intent to be on campus this fall have not fully complied with SU's [pre-arrival COVID-19 testing](#) and [quarantine confirmation](#) requirements. If you are in that group, please immediately take the steps necessary to comply with these requirements. **If we do not hear from you by Monday, Sept. 14, we will assume that you will not be on campus at all this fall, and your I.D. will not be activated to permit access to Dineen Hall.**

**Keep in mind that you are not permitted to enter Dineen Hall, nor should you make any attempt to do so, unless you comply with the above requirements.** Please do not ask, or rely on, fellow students who have been cleared for access to Dineen Hall to let you in the building. Not only is that unfair to our compliant students, it is a violation of SU's Student Code of Conduct, and it places our College of Law community at risk. By the same token, students who have been cleared for access to Dineen Hall should not allow anyone else access to Dineen Hall.

To be clear, **attempting to enter or entering Dineen Hall if you have not been cleared for access, or enabling a non-compliant student to enter Dineen Hall will be treated as a violation of our Code of Student Conduct.** Students who observe a breach of these protocols are encouraged to report it to [Director Sarah Collins](#). The health of everyone in Dineen Hall is at stake. Complaints will be held in confidence.

**2. Mandatory Second-Round Testing to Retain Access**

Second, by now you have received the message below from the University's Public Health Team. **If you have been cleared for access to Dineen Hall, you must now be tested again, as a part of the University's second round of COVID-19 surveillance testing. Participation in this testing is mandatory. The College of Law's designated testing date is September 14, at the Kenneth A. Shaw Quad (North Campus; two stations) or Sky Barn (South Campus), between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.**

If you have not been cleared for access you should not plan to come to campus for this second round of testing unless you have submitted evidence of compliance with the first-round requirements and have received clearance for access to Dineen Hall.

While this testing may seem inconvenient, the University's robust protocols are serving us well and our continued compliance will help keep our community safe and healthy, and our campus open and accessible for as long as possible. They are also required by the State of New York. Thank you for doing your part.

Please refer any questions to [lawpreparedness@law.syr.edu](mailto:lawpreparedness@law.syr.edu).

Best regards,

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