Five Things You Should Know This Week

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In accordance with our Return to Campus plan, here are Five Things You Should Know This Week:

1. COVID-19 vaccine appointments remain available this week
   A few appointments remain available for Friday’s drive-through vaccination clinic established specifically for GS faculty, staff and students.

   As a reminder, all adults in Georgia are now eligible for the vaccine. Georgia Southern is currently using the Moderna vaccine, which is only approved for individuals 18 years of age and older.

   Appointments are available online only, on a first-come, first-served basis for Friday, April 2, on the Statesboro Campus.

   To make an appointment, go to the MyGS portal and click on “COVID-19 Vaccine Scheduling Form” under the heading of “COVID-19 Information and Resources.”

   Additional distribution days are being planned on both campuses. Updates will be sent by email. Appointments are full for today’s vaccine distribution on the Armstrong campus in Savannah.

2. Parking will be impacted this week by COVID-19 vaccinations
   To accommodate Georgia Southern’s COVID vaccine distribution plan Tuesday (3/30) on the Armstrong Campus in Savannah, the Science Center parking lot and all of Arts Drive parking will be closed today.

   To accommodate Georgia Southern’s COVID vaccine distribution plan on Friday (4/2) in Statesboro, all parking lots at Paulson Stadium and on Malecki Drive will be closed all day and bus routes that stop at Paulson Stadium will be redirected on Friday. Setup will begin Thursday (4/1), but parking and bus routes will not change until Friday.

   While these lots are closed in Statesboro, anyone without a parking permit may park at the RAC, lot 42 and lot 29 (formerly University Villas) ONLY during the days the stadium area is closed. The three bus routes will be directed as follows:
   ● Blue route will stop at the College of Education, Freedom's Landing (temporary stop), and the RAC.
   ● Gold route will stop at the Russell Union/Dining Commons, Cambridge, and Eagle Village.
   ● Temp route will stop at the Russell Union/Dining Commons and the RAC.

3. New mental health resources website available for GS employees
   Georgia Southern faculty and staff have access to a variety of mental health resources through your health insurance coverage, the University System of Georgia and the university.

   The GS Human Resources office has put together a website to make it easier for employees to find the mental health resources available.

   This website complements the Counseling Center, which is focused on our students' mental health. The Counseling Center maintains a 24/7 crisis line. Students can call during business hours and request to be transferred to the crisis counselor, or when the center is closed, can call 912-478-5541 and select option 2 from the voicemail menu. After-hours crisis services can also be used by campus partners needing a consultation about a student of concern.

4. Reminder to participate in VPBF search
   Three more candidates are scheduled to visit campus as part of Georgia Southern’s search for its next Vice President for Business and Finance (VPBF). The search committee is interested in garnering as much feedback as possible on each candidate, so open forums have been scheduled for each finalist. Each session will be done via Zoom, and details will be emailed to all faculty and staff the morning of each session. All the candidates’ vitas, schedules and feedback forms have been posted on the VPBF search website, which also lists the job description and search committee members.

5. Ready to help promote Georgia Southern?
   Just a reminder that when writing or talking about Georgia Southern University, please keep in mind these brand pillars to support our university wide messaging campaign:
   ● We are ready. Opportunities abound here.
   ● We are a talent powerhouse.
   ● We’re committed to access for everyone.
   ● We are always ready to roll up our sleeves and get to work – together.
   ● There’s no other school that feels so much like home while still making such a significant public impact.