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1. Get your booster shot before the break and get \$25!

To help encourage vaccine boosters, which studies have shown are effective at helping to prevent serious complications from the Omicron variant, Georgia Southern is offering a Boost Before the Break vaccine incentive program.

A \$25 credit on your Eagle Card will go to any University student, faculty or staff member who gets their booster shot – **or any COVID-19 vaccine shot** – on campus before spring break.

Get all details on the Boost Before the Break campaign online.

2. 2022 Employee Engagement Survey launches next week

Look for an email next week from Studer Education for Georgia Southern's 2022 Employee Engagement Survey, a key piece in our continued commitment to engagement in a renewed focus on student success and performance excellence and developing a culture of high performance and evidence-based leadership. Our strategic plan details how we are growing ourselves to grow others – investing in our people to have the greatest impact on our students and the communities we serve.

Remember, the purpose of the survey is to gain input from all employees about their work environment, what is working well and where there may be opportunities for improvement.

The survey provides all employees an opportunity to share feedback that will help supervisors and Georgia Southern leadership ensure that Georgia Southern fosters a workplace environment where employees feel engaged and valued.

Following the survey, leaders will use the feedback to compare results from last year to assess results specific to their Action Plans, engage in conversations with their employees to focus on improvement, and outline ways to improve by focusing on the highest priority areas and updating/revising their Action Plans based on this year's results. Our goal is to create clear roadmaps to success for all employees, departments, and the institution in a continuous improvement cycle.

3. Vaccine shots and boosters are available on campus

COVID-19 vaccines and booster shots continue to be available on campus, and walk-ups can be accommodated. Boosters are available to anyone 12 years of age or older. Individuals can receive a booster dose if it has been at least 2 months after the Johnson & Johnson vaccine or at least 5 months after the second dose of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine. Shots are currently available on the Statesboro Campus Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m., at Health Services, located at 984 Plant Drive, across from the Performing Arts Center. Shots are available on the Armstrong Campus in Savannah on Wednesdays on the first floor of the Health Professions Academic Building. Appointments can also be scheduled via the MyGS portal by clicking on the "COVID-19 Vaccine Scheduling Form" under the "COVID-19 Information and Resources" tab.

4. Sexual Assault Awareness Week is Feb. 21-25

Georgia Southern University's Sexual Assault Awareness Week is an annual campaign to raise public awareness about sexual assault and educate communities and individuals on how to prevent sexual violence. This year's Sexual Assault Awareness Week will take place February 21-25 on the Statesboro and Armstrong campuses.

More information and a schedule of events can be found at https://students.georgiasouthern.edu/sexualassaultresponse/sexual-assault-awareness-week-2022/.

5. COVID-19 testing available on campus

Georgia Southern continues to partner with Mako Medical to offer both the COVID-19 PCR test and the COVID-19 rapid antigen test on the Statesboro and Armstrong campuses for GS faculty, staff and students.

Testing is provided Monday through Friday (9 a.m.-noon; 12:30-4 p.m.) at no cost. On the Armstrong Campus in Savannah, the testing site is located at the Armstrong Center. On the Statesboro Campus, the testing site is located at the Forest Drive Classroom Building.

Appointments will not be scheduled. While walk-ups will be accepted, pre-registration is strongly encouraged. You can pre-register via the COVID-19 testing link on your MyGeorgiaSouthern portal. Once you have pre-registered, you can go to the COVID-19 testing site at your convenience; the system will not generate an appointment for you or send you a reminder email.

Testing in the health centers on both the Armstrong and Statesboro campuses remains available for students who have been evaluated by a campus health services medical provider. Students who desire an evaluation by a campus medical provider can schedule an appointment via their online health portal. For more information, see an online FAQ at https://auxiliary.georgiasouthern.edu/healthservices/2021/08/31/covid-testing-information/.