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NMMI COVID Situation Update: Daily Update and FAQ's

ACADEMICS:

The message from Academics today concerns labs. Math and Science labs have been structured to be taught online. Instructors will be available via email or Zoom for questions and answers. Students are not allowed in the Academic Buildings. They have been deep cleaned, and sanitized pending a return to the classroom on November 2nd.

ATHLETICS:

All Troops participated in PT today. A variety of exercises, running and modified sports activities were conducted. Every Cadet was out of their room and actively engaged for the allocated hour of time.

COMMANDANT:

The rotation matrix that has been published in this update is working as printed. Cadets are being afforded time to go to the mail room, to the Cadet store, to take care of laundry, etc. All are accomplished while complying with social distancing and mask requirements.

ADMINISTRATION:

The primary area of emphasis from the Administration side is the return to campus testing. We are working as diligently as we can to come to a positive solution for this situation. I have stated before that our Medical Advisors believe that for the safety and protection of all at NMMI, Cadets, Staff and Faculty, that those who left the campus should be tested upon return. We are having daily dialogue with NMDOH and NMHED as to how to accomplish this and possibly at no cost. Please be patient while we work this issue out.

Respectfully,

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Corps Population

Currently we have the following cadets on campus

1st Squadron (Hagerman) 186 Cadets

2nd Squadron (Hagerman) 162 Cadets

3rd Squadron (Saunders) 167 Cadet

Isolation in GAC 20 Cadets

Isolation in Saunders 23 Cadets

Total of 548 Cadets on campus.

- Off-Post
 - Total – 218

- Dashboard
 - Total Active Cases – 63
 - Cadet active cases – 61
 - Staff/Faculty active cases - 2
 - On-Post active cases – 53

- Rotation – Quarantine only

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		19-Oct	20-Oct	21-Oct	22-Oct	23-Oct	24-Oct	25-Oct	
		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
0630-0730	Bates	Kilo & Lima	Oscar	Mike & November	Kilo & Lima	Oscar			
	JRT/VMV	Mike & November	Kilo & Lima	Oscar	Mike & November	Kilo & Lima			
1145-1245	Bates	Echo & Fox JC	India JC	Golf & Hotel JC	Echo & Fox JC	India JC			
	JRT/VMV	Golf & Hotel JC	Echo & Fox JC	India JC	Golf & Hotel JC	Echo & Fox JC			
1245-1345	Bates	Echo & Fox HS	India HS	Golf & Hotel HS	Echo & Fox HS	India HS			
	JRT/VMV	Golf & Hotel HS	Echo & Fox HS	India HS	Golf & Hotel HS	Echo & Fox HS			
1545-1645	Bates	Alpha & Bravo	HQ	Charlie & Delta	Alpha & Bravo	HQ			
	JRT/VMV	Charlie & Delta	Alpha & Bravo	HQ	Charlie & Delta	Alpha & Bravo			
1545-1625	PT	3rd Squadron (Area 1 = Kilo) (Area 2 = Lima) (Area 3 = Mike) (Area 4 = November) (Area 5 = Oscar)							
1625-1705	PT	2nd Squadron (Area 1 = Echo) (Area 2 = Fox) (Area 3 = Golf) (Area 4 = Hotel) (Area 5 = India)							
1705-1745	PT	1st Squadron (Area 1 = Isolation) (Area 2 = Alpha) (Area 3 = Bravo) (Area 4 = Charlie & Delta) (Area 5 = HQ)							
		26-Oct	27-Oct	28-Oct	29-Oct	30-Oct	31-Oct	1-Nov	
		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
0630-0730	Bates	Mike & November	Kilo & Lima	Oscar	Mike & November	Quarantine period ends			
	JRT/VMV	Oscar	Mike & November	Kilo & Lima	Oscar				
1145-1245	Bates	Golf & Hotel JC	Echo & Fox JC	India JC	Golf & Hotel JC				
	JRT/VMV	India JC	Golf & Hotel JC	Echo & Fox JC	India JC				
1245-1345	Bates	Golf & Hotel HS	Echo & Fox HS	India HS	Golf & Hotel HS				
	JRT/VMV	India HS	Golf & Hotel HS	Echo & Fox HS	India HS				
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Bates = Cadet Store & Contact Laundry Service						Area 1 = Colt Area			
JRT/VMV = Mail Room, PX, Coffee Shop, Barbershop						Area 2 = West Stapp Area			
PT is required for all cadets except for those in <i>Isolation with symptoms</i> (weather permitting)						Area 3 = Middle Stapp Area			
						Area 4 = East Strapp Area			
						Area 5 = Pixie Area			

- Uniform of the Day – will be PT for the quarantine period

Academics

- Cadets now attending in classroom instruction will during the two week quarantine take their classes online. The Dean has asked Associate Deans to discuss with each of their faculty the approach that they will take in their course and to pass that information onto each of the cadets that they have in their classes. This does not impact the current 300 cadets taking course so line from those faculty permitted to teach from home. Cadets should contact their instructor or adviser if they have any questions.
- **No cadets will be permitted in any academic building** to include the Library and the Band room until after the end of the 14-Day Quarantine.
- **Faculty teaching from home** during the quarantine period will not have to be tested when they come back on campus unless there is a reason otherwise for them to be tested.
- Faculty and Academic Staff can work at home unless there is a specific reason requiring them to come to work in their office on campus.

Food Service

- Meal times:
 - BRC
 - 0630 - Hagerman 1st Squadron

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- 0700 - Hagerman 2nd Squadron
- 0730 - Saunders 3rd Squadron
- 0800 – Godfrey Athletic Center (GAC)
- DRC JC
 - 1145 - Hagerman
 - 1215 - Saunders
 - 1230 - Godfrey Athletic Center (GAC)
- DRC HS
 - 1245 - Hagerman
 - 1315 - Saunders
- SRC
 - 1730 - Hagerman 1st Squadron
 - 1800 - Hagerman 2nd Squadron
 - 1830 - Saunders 3rd Squadron
 - 1900 - Godfrey Athletic Center (GAC)
- Deliver by squadron to provide ample time to produce, box, and deliver. This time windows would allow for meals to stay warm and maintain quality. We will monitor the numbers per barrack per squadron and assistance with distribution so each cadet is assured adequate meals.
- We will provide a snack back daily during SRC in lieu of 4th meal during the entire quarantine period.
- We will provide and monitor/replenish water stations with touchless spigots at the barracks effective DRC tomorrow (3 in Hagerman, 2 in Saunders). Assorted soft drinks will be provided with boxed meals as well.
- Cadets with special diets – based on the type of restrictions, these meals will need to be picked up and delivered by the commandant staff at Bates for efficiency purposes.

Exercise

There is going to be an outside time for the corps from 340-540.

The rotation will be by squadron and they will split off into troops. 1st Squadron will go from 340-420, 2nd Squadron will go from 420-500, 3rd Squadron will go from 500-540.

We will use Colt Field for 1 troop, Stapp Field for 3 troops, and Pixie Field for 1 troop. Masks will be worn the entire time. Each troop will have their own area.

Area 1: Colt Field

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Area 2: West Stapp

Area 3: Middle Stapp

Area 4: East Stapp

Area 5: Pixie Field

Rotation:

Athletics is in charge of this time. We will need 2 adults per troop area to supervise and AD said requires every athletics employee needed to be on the rotation. Per COS: no footballs, Frisbees, baseball or things like that can be passed hand to hand. Soccer balls are allowed. Other than that, the kids can basically do whatever they want within that area as long as they are socially distanced. The point is to let them get outside. **We must enforce social distancing and masks need to be worn the entire time.**

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Medical / Infirmary Operations

TUE

1	2	3	4	5
Rodriguez	Olesinski	Kyser	St. Schooley	Montoya
Williamson	Galindo	Miller	Vazquez	Gunn
	Dindinger			Carpenter

WED

1	2	3	4	5
Forchtner	Ford	Cook	Se. Schooley	Taufaasau
Araujo	Raygoza	Sebastian	Coleman	Alvis
				Smith

THU

1	2	3	4	5
Rodriguez	Olesinski	Kyser	St. Schooley	Montoya
Williamson	Galindo	Miller	Vazquez	Gunn
	Dindinger			Carpenter

FRI

1	2	3	4	5
Forchtner	Ford	Cook	Se. Schooley	Taufaasau
Araujo	Raygoza	Sebastian	Coleman	Alvis
				Smith

- The infirmary is operating business as usual
- We are open and available to cadets 24/7
- Offsite medical appointments are still available, per Dr. Pope

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- Clinic times with our on-site providers, Tuesday 4-6pm, Friday 8-10 am. Dr. Pope's clinic schedule varies for the infirmary; however, times are always listed ahead of time on the infirmary clinic calendar
- Sick Call – 0700 for all cadets with the exception of Isolation cadets who have a call number.
- Scheduled medical appointments - Cadets with appointments offsite are handled as usual.

Mental Health and Well Being

- Who to contact – Chaplain Mace (Be advised, I have scheduled life coach interviews this week – and plan to hire 2 in the very near future).
- I also have a contact list of local counselors if needed for referral.
- Crisis number – The NMMI Infirmary and/or Chaplain Mace.
- Spiritual care
 - “Sunday message” from NMMI chapel will be recorded for 18 OCT and 25 OCT - and add to the NMMI Alumni Memorial Chapel FB page – along with links to other recorded services.
 - Chapel be “open” to cadets throughout the time (19-30 OCT).
Additional signage – enforcing the updated protocol.
 - No congregational meetings during quarantine period.

Double test requirement

- Required to return on the 30th of October.
- The first test should be free based on the Governor’s statement.
- We are requiring surveillance testing. Insurance does not pay for the testing.
- The day you bring your child to Post, get in line, and get tested. The DOH is estimated to take about 4 days. That way, the second test will be administered here for \$200. The option to take a second DOH test will likely result in a longer dwindle time.

Visitors, food delivery

- NMMI is closed. No visitors are allowed.
- Duty and Mustang gates are open from 0600-1800. All others are closed.
 - Will be closed on the weekend.
- Contractors will be allowed on Post with proper screening/ will not contact cadets
 - Will Mustang, coming down the front of GAC; Honor to remained closed.

Staff re-testing

- Staff will not be required to re-test after the quarantine period. Staff who have other causes such as being a close-contact to family members or others, develop symptoms, etc.

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Staff Duties

- If they are not required to support the cadets, stay at home during quarantine period.
- Will test essential workers at NMMI infirmary; else go to PCL or DOH.
- Have 27 PCL tests. PCL has 700 for returning cadets.

SROTC

- The SROTC Cadre will be conducting their business from their offices in Dow Hall as we aren't authorized to telework. We will still conduct classes as necessary via video forum and we are normally anti-social so you won't see us out and about on campus.

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NMMI COVID-19 QUARANTINE FAQ'S

Why there are cadets in single rooms and what is being done about their mental health and well-being?

There are many cadets from the senior leadership of the corps who are in single rooms. Other cadets are currently in single rooms because their roommates are either 1) in isolation or 2) have gone home for quarantining. Because their roommate's personal belongings are still in their rooms, we are unable to make room swaps at this time. TLA's will be checking daily on all cadets, these cadets will be checking in for mandatory PE, and if a parent has any concerns, please contact the TLA/SLA or the infirmary.

It feels like cadets are being "locked up" in their rooms 24/7. Is this the case?

No. Cadets in quarantine have different times they can be out of their rooms—3 times a day for meal pick up, once a day for exercise/PT, and 2 times per week to be out at Bates or J. Ross Thomas Reception Room (JRT) or the VMV for the cadet store, laundry service, mail room, PX or barbershop.

Why does my NM cadet have to be tested through NMMI upon return from an at-home quarantine versus using the Department of Health (DOH) test?

Unfortunately, utilizing the DOH tests is taking an additional 5-7 days for return of results. During this time, all NM quarantined students would have to be quarantined and unable to attend classes. The use of the NMMI test, allows rapid response, usually in less than 24 hours. Insurance will not pay for "surveillance" testing. Surveillance testing is defined as testing without any symptoms present. For the test to be covered by insurance, it has to be required by a medical doctor.

What is the Early Warning System at NMMI?

All students' academic progress is monitored at NMMI through the early warning system. The Early Warning System is an app that allows Faculty to enter updates into each Cadets records. If a Cadet does not attend class, this includes online classes, the Faculty will enter that into the Early Warning System. If a Cadet does not turn in homework or other assignments, the Faculty will enter this into the Early Warning System. During study periods, Faculty and or Staff members will personally contact the Cadet to see if there are issues that need to be addressed.

How are you addressing spiritual care for cadets during the quarantine?

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- Chapel be open on a limited basis to cadets throughout the time (19-30 OCT). Additional signage has been posted reminding all who enter of the updated protocols that are in effect for COVID.
- There will be no congregational meetings during quarantine period.

What if my cadet has a perishable item I need to get to them?

If a care package is being sent that has an urgent delivery or perishable item, please have your cadet contact their Troop Leadership Advisor (TLA). Arrangements can be made for them to get the item from the mailroom.

When are mealtimes for the corps during quarantine? (Mealtimes revised slightly since 10.19.20 posting):

- Mealtimes
BRC (Breakfast Roll Call) 0630-0800
DRC (Dinner Roll Call-Lunch) 1145-1315
SRC (Supper Roll Call-Evening Meal) 1730-1930

BRC

0630 - Hagerman 1st Squadron

0700 - Hagerman 2nd Squadron

0730 - Saunders 3rd Squadron

0800 – Godfrey Athletic Center (GAC)

DRC Junior College

1145 - Hagerman

1215 - Saunders

1230 - Godfrey Athletic Center (GAC)

DRC High School

1245 - Hagerman

1315 - Saunders

SRC

1730 - Hagerman 1st Squadron

1800 - Hagerman 2nd Squadron

1830 - Saunders 3rd Squadron

1900 - Godfrey Athletic Center (GAC)

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SQUADRON/TROOP LEADERSHIP ADVISORS

First Squadron: Troop HQ, A, B, C, D (Hagerman Barracks, East)

1st Squadron SLA: LTC Tina Lueras, NMMI (575) 624-8461 or lueras@nmmi.edu

- Alpha TLA: LTC Shaun McArthur, USA – (575) 624-8466 or mcarthur@nmmi.edu
- Bravo TLA: MAJ John Barbour, NMMI – (575) 624-8479 or Barbour@nmmi.edu
- Charlie TLA: CSM Charles Kincaid – (575) 624-8464 or kincaid@nmmi.edu
- Delta TLA: LTC Tina Lueras, NMMI (575) 624-8461 or lueras@nmmi.edu
- HQ TLA: CPT Collette Lucero, NMMI (575) 624-8474 or clucero@nmmi.edu

Second Squadron: Troop E, F, G, H, I (Hagerman Barracks, West)

2nd Squadron SLA: LTC Robert Romero, NMMI, USMC (Ret) – (575) 624-8468 or RomeroR@nmmi.edu

- Echo TLA: CPT Melissa Whitsell – (575) 624-8462 or whitsell@nmmi.edu
- Foxtrot TLA: CPT Mary Dawe – (575) 624-8470 or mdawe@nmmi.edu
- Golf TLA: CPT James Melton, USAF (Ret) – (575) 624-8463 or melton@NMMI.edu
- Hotel TLA: CPT Kameron Dudek, NMMI – (575) 624-8477 or dudek@nmmi.edu
- India Troop – LTC Robert Romero, NMMI, USMC (Ret) – (575) 624-8468 or RomeroR@nmmi.edu

Third Squadron: Troop K, L, M, N, O (Saunders Barracks)

3rd Squadron SLA: LTC Valerie Broesamle, USA (575) 624-8460 or broesamle2@nmmi.edu

- Kilo TLA: CPT Lynn Doherty, NMMI – (575) 624-8113 or doherty@nmmi.edu
- Lima TLA: LTC Valerie Broesamle, USA (575) 624-8460 or broesamle2@nmmi.edu
- Mike TLA: CPT Margaret Novak, NMMI – (575) 624-8467 novak@nmmi.edu
- November TLA: MAJ Kirk Klingsmith USMC (Ret) – (575) 624-8465
- Oscar TLA: CPT Brian Wright, USN – (575) 624-8469

TLA Command Post (24/7 Operations, all non-emergency calls)

- 575-624-8478
- 575-624-8163