Tips for Instructors on Wildcat Pledge and Wildcat Pass

We are in this together, and for each other.

Philosophy:

- We each have a role to play in our own safety and health, and also in the health and safety of our fellow Wildcats.
- The virus does not distinguish between student or employee, or any other human difference.
- We want to help each other stay compliant for the sake of the community because we know the testing and other pandemic protocols are trying, inconvenient, and easy to get complacent around. And the virus never gets complacent.
- The Wildcat Pass is a tool to help each individual stay compliant and to help us encourage each other to stay compliant.
- Encourage the shared respect and responsibility through the Wildcat Pledge

Tips and Recommendations:

At the beginning of the semester:

- Show the community pledge (Wildcat Community Pledge), thank everyone for signing itand doing their part to keep us all safe, share that you signed it if you chose to.

- Share how testing has been proven to be critical to staying open – both here at UNH last semester, and at universities across the country. Emphasize that the Wildcat Pass is a tool to help all of us stay on our testing schedule and that a valid Wildcat Pass is required to be on campus. Say that you expect them to check theirWildcat Pass every day before coming to campus.

- Urge students to pay attention to texts and emails that tell them they missed their scheduled drop off.

Use the Wildcat Pass

We want to make checking the Wildcat Pass part of normal COVID protocols, not a punitive tool. If a student misses a sample drop off, they get a text and email reminding them that they have 24 hours to drop off a sample before their Wildcat Pass is invalid. The Wildcat Pass lists the individual's last dropped test, the scheduled drop day(s), and when the next drop is due. If their pass is invalid because they did not drop off a test sample within 24 hours of their assigned time, their pass will automatically become valid again when their next sample reaches the lab. Refer students to the Rights Roles and Responsibilities document: https://www.unh.edu/dean-of-students/processes-policies-protocols/student-rights-rules-responsibilities

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Things you can do to help us make Wildcat Pass a normal part of COVID protocol.

- Make it point to check your wildcat pass at the beginning each class, and ask students todo so as well.
- Ask people to show their wildcat pass before coming into class – this is particularly recommended for laboratory classes where lab groups are going to be close contacts toeach other.
- Thank people for maintaining their test schedule and remind people to check their pass tomake sure they are on schedule.

Student Wildcat Pass Rules:

The Wildcat Pass will become invalid if:

- a student is in isolation or quarantine
- a student does not have a negative test within the last 5 or 16 days (depending on their testing schedule)
- a student missed their test drop off schedule by 24 hours or more
- a student has not filled out required forms:
  - My Profile (for contact tracing)
  - Consent to Testing
  - Community Pledge

If a student's Wildcat Pass goes invalid multiple times for missing a test drop off, they may be subject the student conduct process in order to have a valid Wildcat Pass again. See SRRR for details.