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Dear Colleagues and Students,

Announcement on Precautionary Measures against COVID-19 for the New Semester

In view of the current COVID-19 situation in Hong Kong, please note that the University will continue its related precautionary measures for the new Semester and requests all staff and students to:

- Complete/update and return the <u>Health Declaration</u> before returning to campus. Health declaration paper form is available and QR code is displayed at campus entrances;
- Wear a surgical mask and go through a body temperature check at all entrance checkpoints;
- Tap your HSUHK cards at all entrance checkpoints; and
- Ensure that no more than 2 persons are seated together at one table within the campus catering outlet; and wear a surgical mask at all times within the catering outlet except when consuming food or drink.

The University has stepped up precautionary measures against COVID-19 in the campus environment including classroom cleaning enhancement such as:

- Hand sanitisers and mask disposal collection boxes are provided;
- Increased daily cleaning frequency to 4-5 times (subject to the available break time during session intervals); and
- Alcohol wet wipes will be provided in classrooms for equipment cleaning.

To further protect the University community, measures such as application of disinfection coating in public areas and washrooms, increased frequency of campus cleaning, and modifying seating layout with transparent central dividers/partitions installed to enable required social distancing have been put in place. In addition, "LeaveHomeSafe" QR codes are available at major campus buildings, and mask vending machines are available at the covered area under College Hall and G/F shuttle lift lobby, S H Ho Wellness College of RCs for the convenience of all students/staff.

In the unfortunate event any member of the HSUHK community has been identified as a close contact, preliminarily tested positive or a confirmed case of COVID-19, the University has established policy and procedures in handling such cases. In case you have received notification of confirmed case from the "LeaveHomeSafe" App for places you have visited, please follow the advice to take a COVID-19 test and seek medical treatment promptly when feeling unwell. Staff members should consult your unit head for appropriate work from home arrangements until testing is done and a negative notification has been received.

The University will continue to monitor the situation closely and make necessary arrangements and announcements in due course. Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

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