March 9, 2020

Dear BUA Community,

We are writing with important information regarding the COVID-19 outbreak.

**Health Update**
As of yesterday, the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH) has confirmed that a parent with a student at Boston University Academy has tested positive with a presumptive case of COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus). We have been in close communication with the family, and have been told that the student is not exhibiting any symptoms. The student is following the quarantine protocol from MDPH until cleared to return to school. Given the nature of BUA’s curriculum, we feel it important to clarify that this student is only enrolled in courses with BUA students and BUA instructors.

**Building Update**
Boston University Facilities conducted a deep clean of the entire BUA building this weekend. All surfaces were wiped down and an electrostatic disinfectant sprayer was used. As a reminder, staff will be working as normally scheduled over the break although the building will operate under reduced hours for the next two weeks (8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.).

**Policy for Individuals Returning from Abroad**
Please familiarize yourself with the [University’s policy regarding faculty, staff, students and visiting scholars who are returning after traveling abroad](#). We ask that all members of the BUA community notify the school if someone from your immediate family chooses to self-quarantine. As a reminder, all students should remain home from school if they have any of the following symptoms: fever, vomiting, diarrhea, persistent cough, or profuse discolored discharge from the nose or eyes. Students should be symptom-free for 24 hours before returning to campus.

BUA continues to work in partnership with BU Student Health Services and BU Occupational Health Center to monitor and respond to this rapidly evolving situation. Please know we will continue to be in communication with you as new information is available and requirements may change.

Sincerely,

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