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Dear Rattlers:

The entire FAMU community is extremely concerned by the national trend of students not adhering to mask/social distancing policies enacted by their respective institutions and local government mandates, including here at FAMU. We are aware of large impromptu and planned gatherings on and off campus by FAMU students who are using social media to spread the intent to blatantly violate Leon County's mandate on large gatherings and FAMU's Covid-19 conduct enforcement procedures. The University requires face coverings in all buildings, gatherings of more than 10 individuals are prohibited; gatherings of 10 individuals or less must be in a space that allows for physical distancing of 6 feet or more.

It is important that all students, faculty, and staff members hold each other accountable in protecting the FAMULY. At this time, we are instituting a curfew mandate for all students on campus. Students are to be in their assigned residence hall from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. on all weekdays (Monday-Thursday) and from 12 a.m. to 6 a.m. on the weekend (Friday-Sunday). This curfew will go into effect on Saturday, August 22, 2020 at 12:00 a.m. and continue until further notice. In the event of extenuating circumstances, students must alert their respective Resident Hall Director immediately if they need to leave during curfew. This curfew is to prevent large gatherings/parties on campus or in the Tallahassee community and not to restrict student movement.

Failure to adhere to the Covid-19 enforcement procedures will subject offenders to sanctions from the Office of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution. Sanctions will include immediate suspension from University Housing, as well as the possibility of disciplinary probation, suspension and/or expulsion from school. If these guidelines are not followed and there is an increased spike in Covid-19 cases – the University may have to consider its operational procedures and re-opening plans for the remainder of the semester.

To have a safe campus is contingent upon all of us doing our part by adhering to the policies and procedures that are put in place. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 850-599-3183.

Rattler Regards,

Bomani Spell, Dean of Students