



## HEALTHY TOGETHER

Ten days into the semester and things are going well – we’re off to a surprisingly normal start. Students have settled into their classes and are enjoying the weekend excitement of slip-n-slide and foam parties.



**And yet**, our local region is red hot in terms of COVID cases. Yesterday, a local teenage boy died from COVID. This week, a Berry alum and mother with young children died.

Full vaccination rates on campus are encouragingly strong (approaching 80%); all around us, however, the rates are half that level (35% in Floyd County).

As you plan for your Labor Day weekend, whether here in Rome or perhaps at home, **please double your caution when you leave campus**. When indoors in public places, please wear a mask. Help keep our campus safe.

## COVID BY THE NUMBERS

### BERRY:

**Percentage fully vaccinated: 78% students, 96% full-time faculty, 77% full-time staff**

Additional percentage partially vaccinated: 3% students, 2% full-time faculty, 5% full-time staff

Moderate / **Yellow** level of risk.

For week of Aug. 26- Sept. 1\*: 11 student cases, 1 employee

Last week, Aug. 19-25\*: 10 student cases, 1 employee

Number of active cases at Berry: 17

\*This represents only those currently in residence at Berry.

### ROME/FLOYD COUNTY:

Percentage of population fully vaccinated: 35%

Additional percentage partially vaccinated: 3%

High / **Deep red** level of risk

### 26.8% positive tests in last 14 days.

Compared to 17.4% in GA last 14 days.

Compared to 3.1% in Rome/Floyd on July 1.

### 1,616/100,000 new COVID cases in the last 14 days.

Compared to 853/100,000 in GA over last 14-day period.

Compared to 17/100,000 in GA over 14-day period ending July 1.

### 184 COVID cases in Floyd and Redmond hospitals, the highest ever.

Compared to 22 on July 30 (4 weeks ago).

Compared to 7 on July 1.



**Weekend Events**

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| <p><b>Friday</b></p> <p><b>KCAB Night Out in Rome</b><br/>7:00-10:00 pm</p> <p>Visit the Krannert Info Desk for tickets to Rome Braves, Swerve, &amp; Axe Throwing</p> <p><b>Volleyball vs. Maryville</b><br/>7:00 pm; Cage Arena</p> | <p><b>Saturday</b></p> <p><b>SOLE's Pigeon Mtn. Hike</b><br/>9:00 am; Meet at JewelBox</p> <p><b>Volleyball vs. Mississippi U.</b><br/>11:00 am; Cage Arena</p> <p><b>Football Kickoff Picnic</b><br/>4:00-6:00 pm; Viking Village</p> <p><b>Football vs. Maryville</b><br/>6:00 pm; Valhalla</p> <p>Picnic and football tickets can be picked up at Krannert Info Desk</p> |
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