

# Edgewood College: Spike in positive COVID cases prompts changes, stern warning on campus

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Madison, Wis. (September 17, 2020) – Edgewood College is experiencing a spike in positive COVID-19 cases among students, and points to off-campus activities by a small fraction of the student population as the cause.

“There’s every indication that this spike is attributable to violations of our protocols, and the state of Wisconsin protocols, during Labor Day weekend,” Andrew P. Manion, President, said in an email sent to the campus community today. “There is no evidence that anyone has caught the virus in any public space or classroom on our campus.”

The College has converted its main dining facility *Phil’s* to takeout only in a response to what officials call inconsistent adherence to social distancing expectations in *Phil’s*. In addition, all athletic teams have begun a two-week moratorium on all team activities.

President Manion also referred to a small number of cases of violations of COVID protocols on-campus, which are being investigated.

“We are addressing those cases aggressively,” he said. “The outcomes of those processes may result in severe penalties up to and including expulsion.”

Edgewood College shares information related to the pandemic's impact on the campus community on [www.edgewood.edu/COVID-19](http://www.edgewood.edu/COVID-19). The web pages include campus communications, and a dashboard that tracks positive cases of the virus.