Limpkins, Tanukis and our ‘class to be named soon’

I hope you are all holding up well. The changes in our education program have obviously been significant and wide ranging. That being said we are incredibly proud of the collaborative approach from our staff and students alike.

We have had several on-site clerkship exams running over the last few weeks. For the most part, things have gone well with respect to building access and getting students situated in rooms to write their tests. While we’ve been able to maintain appropriate social distancing in many situations, it has not been possible 100% of the time.

In order to try to be as safe as possible, for any on-site exams (clerkship or pre-clerkship), we will now require that all students wear a mask (can be a non-medical mask) upon entering the buildings of the medical school and throughout the time they are on-site (including during the exam) until they then leave the building. Please try to remember to wear your mask; if you don’t have one on arrival, we will have a supply available. In order to be consistent, we will be asking all of our UME staff to mask during exams as well.

In addition, if you are going to be at the medical school for a learning event where social distancing may be difficult (e.g. anything in a small group room) we would also expect that you would wear masks as well. Not a lot of this going on right now, but will become more of an issue in the coming weeks.

Finally, please respect the directional signs (and the ‘no loitering’ signs) that you will see around the buildings to keep people moving safely.

Let’s keep each other healthy and well.

All the best

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