

### **COVID-19 NEWS**

# University launches COVID-19 dashboard for Fall 2021 semester

Virginia Tech has resumed updates to its COVID-19 dashboard, which now reflects data collected since Aug. 2. Results will continue to be reported on a daily basis.

Employees should continue to visit ready.vt.edu for all information on the university's response to the pandemic.

## Public Health Emergency Leave reactivated

Public Health Emergency Leave (PHEL) has been reactivated, effective September 1.

Employees have up to 80 hours of PHEL for leave needs pertaining to COVID-19. Appropriate uses for PHEL include:

- Attending to your own illness due to a confirmed COVID-19 test.
- Attending to the care of an immediate family member who has received a confirmed positive COVID-19 test result.
- Quarantining due to exposure to COVID-19 if your job duties cannot be done remotely.
- Obtaining a COVID-19 vaccine and/or recovering from side effects from the vaccine (use in this case is limited to 8 hours).

For questions regarding PHEL or other leave options, please contact <u>Julie Weaver</u> or the <u>HR Leave Team</u>.

### **FINANCE NEWS**

## Snack and Clothing Drive a terrific success!

A special shout-out to all who participated in the recent snack and clothing drive. In total, 316 clothing items, 2,432 food items, and \$395 in cash and online donations were collected.

All the contributions have been delivered to the New River Community Action office and subsequently distributed to the CHIP clothing bank and our local Head Start preschools.

Thanks for your participation and support of the local community!

# VPF Diversity Committee guest speaker series continues

Dr. Nicholas Goedert, assistant professor of political science, will offer an informative presentation on the history of the American voting system and some of the modern-day issues and legislation impacting the voting process.

Sept 22 @ 2pm - register here

#### OTHER NEWS

# Hokie Health: Ten at Ten continues through September

On each Tuesday and Friday from 10-10:10 a.m. during September, Hokie Wellness is continuing its Ten at Ten program to provide a quick and lighthearted brain break for employees and students.

Participants should use <u>this Zoom</u> <u>link</u> to join; no registration is required. <u>More info here</u>.

#### **EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT**

#### Meet Dennis Stahl

Assistant System Director

(Hokie Passport Services)

Read this Q&A with Dennis to learn more about his interests and background.



### **WEBINARS & LEARNING**

**SEPT 13-14** Planning and Budgeting Forum (*NACUBO*) More

**ON-DEMAND** Digital Accessibility for the Modern Workplace: Accessibility at Work (*LinkedIn Learning, Virginia Tech*) More

#### **UPCOMING DATES**

### **SEPTEMBER 6-11**

#### **Inclusive VT Week**

<u>Learn more</u> about this year's Speaker Series. Additional information coming soon.

#### SEPTEMBER 10-12

## 'If These Walls Could Talk: 150 Years of Corps of Cadets History'

A 12-minute film about the history of the Corps of Cadets will be projected onto the façade of Lane Hall for three nights only. The film will begin at 8:30 p.m. each night and repeat until 10 p.m., Sept. 10-12. More info here.