

To: Risk Manager
From: Colleen Palmer
Date: 03-05-21

Dear unnamed "Risk Manager",

I must first express that the fact that you do not have a name is deeply disturbing. It is rather fascist and inhumane. EWU must be accountable in human-to-human contact. All the policies that EWU suggests, must be allowed to be discussed in an open forum with men and women interacting as men and women, not as men and women interacting with the unnamed "wizard of oz" Risk Manager. As a named member of this community, I expect to be able to contact an actual human being.

I see that you are offering to make the Covid-19 antigen testing mandatory.
I would like to counter that offer:

Testing of any kind, be it PCR, or antigen, or biometric is inherently invasive, and is therefore a violation of bodily autonomy, and privacy. Testing will be appropriate, only when the invasive nature, both physically and bodily can be resolved. No one has the right to forcibly collect the genetic or medical information of a person, full stop. Our medical information is private and in the United States is protected under HIPPA laws.

Testing men and women for any disease, either imagined or real, asymptomatic or symptomatic, as a prerequisite to their being able to move freely on the planet, including public lands and institutions is a violation of our constitutional and inalienable right to Liberty. Testing will be appropriate, only when it does not violate or threaten our Liberty. It is therefore out of the jurisdiction of EWU, the state health board, the local, state, and federal governing bodies to undermine this inalienable right to Liberty.

As "Risk Manager", I suggest you consider the risk you pose to the men and women engaged in business with EWU, as well as to the men and women professors and staff, when you suggest we must give up our inalienable rights in order to do business with EWU. A policy such as mandatory testing, suggests that EWU has the right to force the loss of what it is to be a free man or woman. It does not. Only a fascist institution, that has no regard for our inalienable rights, as affirmed by the U.S. Constitution, on which our Republic was founded, would suggest that an invasive biological test would be required for men and women to engage in what, for all of time, was normal, everyday behavior. It is insane, anti-American, anti-human and against the laws of all creation. It will not stand.

The right to privacy and liberty are immutable and inalienable. If EWU is to survive and thrive, it will be because it affirms these Truths and creates policy in support of them.

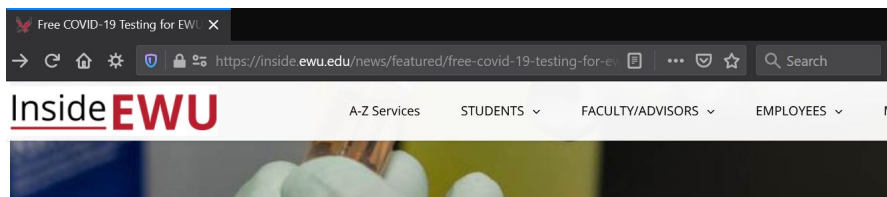
The preservation of Liberty is essential to the thriving of all men and women on this planet. An institution that claims to be advocating for higher learning and human advancement must work tirelessly to preserve Liberty. Anything less would be a violation of said values of EWU as "personal transformation" is not possible without Liberty.

I look forward to promptly receiving a response from an identified human. I also look forward to the prompt restoration of sane policy at EWU that affirms our inalienable rights, so essential to the thriving of our Republic and the men and women herein.

Sincerely,
Colleen Palmer

P.S. I will be posting this letter publicly and all responses or lack of response will become part of the public record. I say this, not as a threat, but to impress upon the man or woman reading this letter that preserving Liberty is of the utmost importance and EWU policy must reflect and respect this universal law as is dictated by the Most High.

On Monday, March 8, I received a response from Trent Lutey, Ph.D., Director of Risk Management at EWU thanking me for my concerns and letting me know that he has forwarded my concerns to the (unnamed) COVID-19 crisis management team. As of Friday, March 12 the COVID-19 crisis management team has not reached out to me addressing my letter. On EWU's website, although testing is now optional for faculty and staff, it remains mandatory for students.



Eastern Washington University is now offering free voluntary COVID-19 antigen testing to students and employees. Testing is done inside the Roost in the University Recreation Center (URC) during the following dates and times:

- **March 10-April 2:** Wednesdays and Fridays from noon-2 p.m.
- **Starting April 5:** Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from noon-2 p.m.

After spring break—March 22-26—all students involved in on-campus activities are required to participate in EWU's COVID-19 antigen testing. This includes students living in the residence halls or apartments, attending class in-person or using university facilities. These tests will be available free of charge on the following dates in the URC near the Roost:

- **Saturday, March 27 from noon – 3 p.m.**
- **Sunday, March 28 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.**
- **Monday, March 29 from 7:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

Before coming to the testing location, students and employees **should fill out the antigen testing form.** Students will be notified of the test results via email. If students test positive, EWU will follow its current isolation protocols. Students can also contact Health, Wellness & Prevention Services with any questions at 509.359.4279 or stuhealth@ewu.edu.

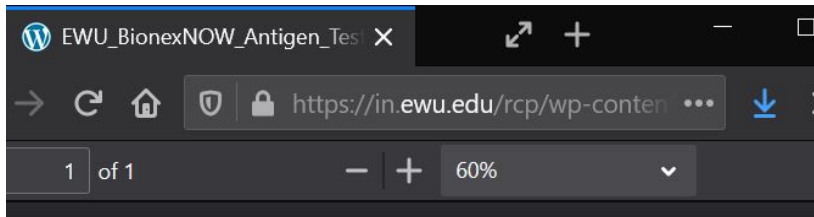
Please read the following **FAQ** on the student health website for more information.

Faculty with specific questions about the testing protocols, please have them email riskmanager@ewu.edu.

For additional information about the testing and other measures EWU is taking to keep students and employees safe, please visit ewu.edu/coronavirus.

The students have been told they are required to be tested, which implies that they do not have the medical freedom to choose, yet within the form the students have to sign at the testing site, they must sign this statement: "I voluntarily agree to this testing for COVID-19". So which is it? Is it voluntary or is it mandatory? It seems to me that, again EWU is misleading our community, I have in the past been giving our administration the benefit of the doubt, but this blatant contradiction seems intentional!

Dear students, stand up for your rights. You do not have to submit to medical testing, nor do you have to sign anything in order to live a normal life and participate in public life. Just say no. They cannot force this upon anyone. It is out of their jurisdiction. What they are asking is unprecedented. NEVER BEFORE have healthy people been required to submit to a test to freely participate in public life. Allowing this, would normalize tyranny. We must not participate in this because the loss of Liberty that this creates as a precedent is unacceptable. Testing must be voluntary!



EASTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY COVID-19 TEST FORM			
Abbott BinaxNOW COVID-19 Ag CARD			
COLLECTION DATE	TEST RESULT	<input type="checkbox"/> Positive <input type="checkbox"/> Negative <input type="checkbox"/> Invalid	
Patient Information			
PATIENT'S NAME (Last name, First Name, Middle Initial)		STATUS <input type="checkbox"/> EWU Student <input type="checkbox"/> EWU Employee	
SEX <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male	DATE OF BIRTH	PHONE	
LOCAL ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP
EMAIL		STUDENT ID or EWU ID	
ETHNICITY		RACE (select all that apply)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic or Latino <input type="checkbox"/> Not Hispanic or Latino <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown		<input type="checkbox"/> Black <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian / Alaskan Native <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____	
EWU COVID-19 Antigen Testing Informed Consent and Authorization			
Please read carefully and sign the following informed consent and authorization.			
1. I authorize Eastern Washington University to provide the Abbot BinaxNOW COVID-19 Antigen Test to me. 2. I authorize Eastern Washington University to collect my test results for public health purposes, to include contact tracing, and to disclose the results to public health authorities as required by law. 3. I acknowledge that a positive test is an indication that I must self-isolate in accordance with all EWU current COVID-19 protocols and the instructions of EWU Health and Wellness staff, EWU Human Resources and/or the Spokane Regional Health District (SRHD). 4. I understand that Eastern Washington University is not acting as my medical provider and this test does not replace or substitute treatment by my medical provider. I assume complete and full responsibility to take appropriate action with regards to my test results and I agree I will seek medical advice, care, and treatment from my medical provider if I have questions, concerns, or my condition worsens. 5. I understand that, as with any medical test, there is the potential for a false positive or false negative COVID-19 test result.			
I understand and have been informed about the test purpose, procedures, possible benefits and risks. I have been given the opportunity to ask questions before I sign, and I have been told that I can ask additional questions at any time. I voluntarily agree to this testing for COVID-19.			
_____ Signature		_____ Date	