


Washington State Penitentiary

Superintendent's Office

DATE: February 19, 2021

TO: WSP Incarcerated Individuals

FROM: Superintendent Holbrook 

SUBJECT: Weekly COVID-19 Update

Washington State Penitentiary is still seeing a downward trend in new COVID-19 cases. At this time we do not have any units on quarantine status! The east side of Echo Unit is currently being utilized for transfer separation, and the east side of Fox Unit is currently being used for intake separation. Additionally, the A, C and D mods of the IMU North are being utilized for transfer and intake separation.

The facility continues to provide COVID-19 vaccines to staff and incarcerated individuals as supply allows and per the requirements for Phase 1A and 1B Tier 1, as defined by the Washington State Department of Health (DOH). Incarcerated individuals must be age 65 or over and identified as high risk by facility Health Services. The vaccine program is voluntary only and it is an individual choice to participate in it.

Facility administration has a plan in place for programming in the West Complex and Unit 6 to resume as early as Monday, so it is imperative that you continue to wear your mask at all times, to include yard time.

We've come a very long way from where we were with this pandemic and the last thing we want to see is a unit back on quarantine status. Masks must be worn at all times, follow six (6) foot social distancing, wash hands, and sanitization of areas must continue. Your consistency with these protocols is working, so let's keep it up!