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This weekly newsletter contains important information about UW-Eau Claire's response to the COVID-19 pandemic and offers Blugolds details on how to access key resources and assist others on our campuses and in our communities.

Still time to sign the Fly Right Pledge before Sept. 4 deadline

More than 6,000 enrolled students have signed the Fly Right Pledge, and if you are a student and have not yet taken a minute to sign the pledge, [log in today](#) so you can check this off your list. All Blugold students are required to sign the pledge by the third day of classes (Sept. 4). Thanks to all the students who have already stepped up to show their commitment to stay safe this semester at UW-Eau Claire.

'Landing Gear' pickup continues next week at Zorn Arena

Thanks to the thousands of faculty, staff and students who practiced physical distancing, wore masks and picked up the Landing Gear packages earlier this week. The first two days of distribution of the packs, which include a special Blugold Flight Plan water bottle, two UWEC masks, a thermometer and instructions on how to stay safe this semester, was a huge success. If you still need to pick up your Landing Gear, stop outside **Zorn Arena between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 1, and Wednesday, Sept. 2.** You must present and scan your Blugold ID to pick up your Landing Gear. Students who live in the residence halls do not have to pick up their gear as they will receive it during check-in from Housing and Residence Life. Flight Gear is available at the bookstore in UWEC – Barron County

every day from 8 a.m.-2 p.m., and gear will be distributed to Marshfield faculty and students on the first clinical day.

New details about dining on campus available online

A number of health and safety measures have been put in place to allow Blugolds to fly together this year, and dining on campus, though it will look a little different this year, will give students, faculty and staff a number of options. You can find details about dining on campus [on a new webpage](#) on the university website. The page contains hours of operation for the various dining facilities as well as details about food pickup and use of the Grubhub app.

COVID-19 training course available now for faculty, staff

With the start of the fall semester less than three weeks away, all faculty and staff are reminded to take a moment to check their email for an invitation to a Canvas course on COVID-19. The training course includes a short video followed by a quiz, and all employees are asked to complete the training by Sept. 7. If you did not see an email invitation for the course or you have related questions, please contact Karen Callaway in Human Resources at callawkl@uwec.edu or 715-836-4202.

COVID-19 resources online

If you want up-to-date information on COVID-19 and UW-Eau Claire's response to the pandemic, visit the university's [COVID-19 Updates webpage](#), where you can find past editions of this newsletter, video messages from Chancellor Schmidt and important emails that have been shared with campus.

Vital Statistics

(as of noon Thursday, Aug. 27)

Confirmed Cases of COVID-19

Worldwide: 24,467,135

United States: 6,015,317

Wisconsin: 72,260

Eau Claire County: 748

Barron County: 362

Wood County: 425

Look for the next Blugold Flight Plan newsletter on Sept. 3.

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