## To Gifu University students

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Request for Infection Prevention Measures to Curb a Strong Surge of COVID-19 Infections

Media keeps on reporting nationwide growing tallies of Covid patients every day. The number of patients is also rapidly rising in Gifu Prefecture. The Gifu Prefectural Government already issued "Emergency Measures Against 5<sup>th</sup> Wave Spread of Infection" and "All Gifu to Safeguard Citizens' Life" to call on Gifu citizens to continue observing infection prevention protocol including least contact with others in order to avoid explosive infections and collapse of medical care systems. In view of the current emergency Covid situations, we ask Gifu University students to follow four pieces of advice below and stay extremely vigilant by September 30, 2021. In particular, please refrain from the activities/behaviors announced by the prefectural government which are considered to have caused people to become infected with the viruses.

1. Infection Prevention Protocol

Please keep on wearing face masks, sanitizing hands, avoiding "3C" settings (closed spaces, crowded places and close contact setting) and monitoring individual physical conditions even you have already been vaccinated.

2. Returning Home

Please cancel or postpone homecoming trips across prefectural borders. Cancel your trip if you feel unwell.

3. Travelling, Leisure and Dining

Please cancel or postpone travelling, leisure activities across prefectural borders. Cancel dining (including BBQ) with relatives or former classmates at alumni meetings, etc. Please do not go out with others (family members included), avoid crowded places during the peak hours, do not go eateries with fewer or no infection measures being taken, and eateries which do not comply with the government request for shorter business hours. Please use your own discretion not to go to eateries, pubs, etc. after 8:00p.m.

4. Other

Please refrain from making non-essential outings during daytime and nighttime.

(Excerpt from "Emergency Measures Against 5th Wave Spread of Infection," "All Gifu to Safeguard Citizens' Life" and "Stay on High Alert against Summer Infections" issued by Gifu Prefectural Government)