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Message from the President of Gifu University, Hisataka Moriwaki

To Students, Teaching and Administrative Staff of Gifu University

## RE: Thorough COVID-19 Infection Prevention Measures During Year End and New Year Holidays

A significant spike in the number of coronavirus patients is reported across Japan, and daily tallies of new cases are renewed every day. On December 15, 2020, "Joint Message by the Governors of Three Prefectures (Aichi, Mie and Gifu) to Curb COVID-19 infections during Year End and New Year Holidays" was announced.

I would like to express my deep appreciation to all concerned for their understanding and support for Gifu University's COVID-19 responses in line with "Gifu University Guideline on COVID-19."

There is no confirmed infection case related to campus activities to date, but we still cannot rule out the possibilities of explosive transmissions as the number of family infections is rising. Please refer to the following points of attention during the year end and new year holidays, and refrain from non-essential outings. We also ask that every member of Gifu University installs "COVID-19 Contact-Confirming Application" or "COCOA" to avoid transmissions and reduce the risk of infecting others. The safety of education and research activities on campus can only be guaranteed by responsible actions and behaviors of every member of the university.

We are all vulnerable to COVID-19 transmissions, thus no prejudice or discrimination to infected individuals as well as those who had close contact with them and their families can be justified. Please show your empathy and compassions to people who have already undergone enormous pains and difficulties due to the infections.

The chart shown below is the contact procedure if you are tested positive during the period from December 29, 2020 through January 3, 2021.



Relevant websites

○Flow Chart

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Steps to be taken against COVID-19 (December 29, 2020 – January 3, 2021) 
https://www.gifu-
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u.ac.jp/en/news/important/newyearholiday\_forstudents.pdf

\*The rest below are all in Japanese.

O"Joint Message by the Governors of Three Prefectures (Aichi, Mie and Gifu) to Curb COVID-19 infections during Year End and New Year Holidays" https://www.pref.gifu.lg.jp/uploaded/attachment/221552.pdf

OBasic Infection Prevention Measures (wearing masks, avoid 3C settings, hand-washing and sanitizing)

https://corona.go.jp/prevention/pdf/winter\_covid.pdf

OAvoid 5 places and situations (informal gatherings where drinks are served, wining and dining in large group for longer hours, conversations without wearing masks, living in a cramped share house, changing seats) https://corona.go.jp/proposal/

**OProper Ventilation and Humidity in Winter** 

https://corona.go.jp/proposal/pdf/cold\_region\_20201112.pdf

## **OCOCOA** Installing

https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/cocoa\_00138.html

## ODeclaration on "Stop Coronavirus Harassment"

https://www.pref.gifu.lg.jp/uploaded/attachment/219927.pdf