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To Gifu University students

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Request: Observation of COVID-19 Infection Prevention Protocol

On March 17, 2022, Gifu Prefectural Government has decided to lift the Prefecture's designation as a "special measures district to prevent the further spread of infections" in accordance with the Government of Japan's lifting "quasi" emergency restrictions on March 21, 2022. However, we are asked to remain vigilant against the high level of infections and future resurgence ("the 7th Wave").

The following are the basic infection prevention protocol to be observed both on and off campus:

1. **Wear a face mask (unwoven fabric, tightly fit)**
2. **Keep hands clean (frequent hand washing, use hand sanitizer)**
3. **Avoid "Three Cs (closed spaces, crowded places, and close-contact settings)**
4. **Frequent ventilation (turn on ventilation fan, open windows, doors at least twice every hour)**
5. **Maintain a good health (do not go to school, make a business trip, travel, etc. if you do not feel well)**

Please avoid the following "Five Scenarios" which are considered to heighten the infection risks:

1. **Informal gathering with wining and dining (distraction, loud voices)**
2. **Dining with large number of people for many hours (attend second and third round of drinking sessions, bar-hopping late at night, etc.)**
3. **Conversations without wearing a mask (e.g. using public transportation system)**
4. **Sharing small living spaces (rooms at dormitory, bathrooms, etc.)**
5. **Suspension of infection measures when moving one place to another (rest space, locker rooms, etc.)**

The Gifu Prefectural Government calls on the citizens to pay extra cautions to the following during this spring season. Please stay on high alert against the infections:

- Avoid dining with people at home or other places whom you do not usually meet. Avoid attending farewell/welcome parties, informal gatherings with large number of people for many hours. Keep silent while eating and wear a mask while talking. Refrain from wining and dining during cherry blossom viewing.
- If travel across prefectures, please observe basic infection protocol above. The same goes to travelling and engaging in leisure activities during this spring vacation.

If you feel unwell, please contact student affairs section of your faculty and the Health Administration Center first and then go to the hospital or stay at home.

We ask that every member of Gifu University observe infection preventive measures and act responsibly.