Dear all students,

A new COVID-19 wave could be imminent in Japan.

As a member of the University of Tsukuba, we ask you to think through the consequences before you act. We expect you to take responsible action to protect yourself and others from infection.

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To: Students

Vice President for Student Affairs
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[COVID-19 Alert] Notice of COVID-19 Cluster on Campus

This is to announce that some students who belong to an extracurricular-activities club (circle) have tested positive for COVID-19 in the last few days. However, it is presumed that the cause of the infection is their gatherings involving food and drinks, and not because of their club activities.

The University has requested to avoid gatherings (or 3Cs; Closed spaces, Crowded places, and Close-contact settings) that involve food and drinks, but once again, we strongly ask you to follow the guidelines. For your safety, please avoid gatherings, such as the following: home party, karaoke, barbecue, etc.

Due to the long lasting COVID-19, it has been seen that many people have become acclimatized to the warnings these days. However, let's not lose our vigilance against COVID-19. For our safety, we all need to remain vigilant. Now, each of us should review the basic measures against COVID-19, and avoid traveling to the regions under the State of Emergency (緊急事態宣言) or Pre-emergency Measures (まん延防止措置) as much as possible.

Regarding your extracurricular activities, please review the "Guidelines for the Start of Organizations' Activities in the Extracurricular Activities of the University of Tsukuba" once again, and work safely during the COVID-19 outbreak.

Now the summer recess is about to start. Many of you may expand the range of your activities, but, please keep in mind that each person's action may affect others. As the message from the President says, you must think through the consequences in people's lives before you act recognizing yourself as a member of the University of Tsukuba. We expect you to take responsibility for your actions.

## References:

- Guidelines for the Start of Organizations' Activities in the Extracurricular Activities of the University of Tsukuba
- Arrangements on Group-Activities Under COVID-19 Crisis