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Upcoming Activities Under the State of Emergency

We deeply appreciated for your kind cooperation in refraining from the extracurricular activities.

As we informed you on September 10, the University has decided to extend our rules for extracurricular activities. We will continue to examine what rules is appropriate depending on the situations.

Regarding the policy of the Government, it seems that the Government is planning to ease some restriction (gathering with food & drinks, holding events, or travel) depending on the situations including the vaccination rate (the vaccination rate in Japan 1st shot; 63.6% / 2nd shot; 51.5% as of Sep. 14). As the University of Tsukuba has started to provide vaccinations, the vaccination rate in Japan has been increasing. The vaccinations (to those who wish to get shots) on campus are expected to be completed by October 20. For the school activities, the MEXT is examining the level of restriction considering the government's upcoming policies.

Judging from those situations, we believe that we are getting closer to resume our extracurricular activities, however, it is still too early to resume all activities. We deeply understand that some of the club / circles must be ready for a big tournament (ex. National Tournament). Thus, in the event you have an upcoming big tournament, the University may grant a special permission for some of their activities as long as they work under certain conditions (see below).

<Conditions for Carrying Out Activities>

- No interaction with other teams or players
- ・ Working in the areas out of "State of Emergency(緊急事態宣言)" or "preventive measures(まん延防止措置)" upon the permission of the region / accommodation
- Working under the supervision of the faculty advisor, and take proper COVID-19 precautions.
- · All participants take PCR-tests within 1 week of the activity, and show negative results
- In case of working in other prefecture for more than 1 week, it is required to take PCR-tests every week.
- No public transportation. In case of using chartered bus, the capacity must be less than 50%. Follow any conditions / orders given by the Vice President, even though the activities are permitted. ····etc.

Note: Only those who have big tournament have chance to request for a special permission.

Please keep in mind that we will grant the permission only in case we consider your activities is very important. Even though you meet requirements / promise to follow the above conditions, your request may not be permitted.

We deeply understand that all of you wish to resume your activities.

We will soon re-examine our rules upon the upcoming measures issued by Government or MEXT. For now, please follow the rule we announced in previous notice in order to protect yourself and others.

OThe announcement by MEXT (as of September 9); ワクチン接種が進む中における日常生活回復に向けた考え方 The school must continuously follow the guideline "学校における新型コロナウイルス感染症に関する衛生管理マニュアル" and other steps. In regards to the activities conducted by vaccinated people, we will examine how to handle those cases.

Reference:

O「筑波大学課外活動における団体活動開始ガイドライン」 Guideline for Re-Starting Activities

○「課外活動制限下における団体活動に関する申合せ」

Arrangements on Group-Activities Under COVID-19 Crisis