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Dear Members of the OISE Community,

I hope that everyone found ways to enjoy this past long weekend amidst the continuing community health measures. I have just a few update items to share including: (i) Next Steps on Climate Action, (ii) Indigenous Education Network COVID-19 resources, and (iii) New UofT COVID-19 Reporting Measures.

Next Steps on Climate Action at OISE

Missed OISE's Climate Action Summit in January? There were many innovative ideas put forward by OISE community members at this January event, as evidenced by [this new video](#) that captures what took place. Faculty and students have been working to organize and distill these ideas as the basis for a Climate Action Plan for OISE. The next step in this process is for OISE community members to review and comment on these ideas, which will inform a set of recommendations for immediate climate action at OISE. As we cannot meet in person, all members of the OISE community – faculty, staff and students - are invited to review and respond to these ideas through a [Climate Action Survey by April 22](#) – an appropriate way to spend some time on Earth Day! For more information on this process, visit the [Climate Action Summit website](#).

Indigenous Education Network COVID-19 Information and Resources

Thanks to the Indigenous Education Network (Professor Jeffrey Ansloos, Julie Blair, Alexis Daybutch) and the OISE Library (Desmond Wong) who have worked together to publish an [Indigenous COVID-19 Information and Resources page](#). This is an important collaboration and I encourage everyone to have a look at the Indigenous wellness and COVID-19 resources and responses found on this new page.

NEW UofT COVID-19 Reporting Measures

Please note, [as reported in the UofT Bulletin](#), new measures have been implemented to track the confirmed cases of COVID-19 among members of our community. Given the high volume of work experienced by public health authorities, the University is asking that *any employee* who tests positive for COVID-19 immediately report this result directly to U of T's Occupational Health Nurse by email at ehs.occhealth@utoronto.ca.

Take care,

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