

DE QUEEN, Ark. — The University of Arkansas - Cossatot Community College has confirmed that the men's basketball team has been quarantined after a player tested positive for COVID-19 on Sept. 4.

According to UA-Cossatot Chancellor Steve Cole, the player got tested on Sept. 2 and received the positive result on Sept. 4.

Cole said the team went into immediate protocol following the positive result, and quarantined the team for either 14 days or until they can produce a negative test result.

Most of the infected player's college courses were already online, limiting his exposure.

"We don't have dorms, so the players don't live together. That makes it a lot easier, and we don't have to worry about having clusters," Cole said.

"That is the Department of Health protocol, which we follow. We do have a contact tracer on campus, and we have followed this up with contact tracing."

UA-Cossatot's contact tracing is done with help from the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences.

Cole said anyone who was at risk of exposure was notified of the case.

All players were last tested Wednesday, Sept. 9, and results are expected back either Thursday afternoon or Friday.