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Just a handful of weeks into the new school year, college campuses are having to adjust their strategies to prevent the spread of COVID-19. This comes as cases continue to rise at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, which reported having a total of 639 active COVID-19 cases as of last Friday. Meanwhile, University of Central Arkansas President Houston Davis said his campus has not had any large-scale outbreak of the virus since classes began.

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“...distancing in mind.”

That audio courtesy of our content partner Talk Business and Politics. Davis said the school has set aside 134 rooms in residence halls to be used for quarantine and 85 self-isolation beds in the event of a coronavirus exposure. He says a total of 19 students are currently in self-quarantine or isolation. According to the university, a total of 41 people on campus have tested positive for the coronavirus since the pandemic began, while only one person was symptomatic.

TBP 2

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While some school districts in Arkansas have had to delay the start to in-class instruction due to the coronavirus pandemic, institutions of higher education in the state are nearing a month of in-person classes. Cases have been surging at the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, which added nearly 250 new positive test results late last week bringing its active COVID-19 case total to 639. Meanwhile Houston Davis, president of the University of Central Arkansas, said his campus hasn't seen as high of a caseload nearing the third full week of classes.

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“...go and be tested.”

That audio courtesy of our content partner Talk Business and Politics. Davis said he's heard anecdotally from faculty that students have been mainly compliant with the school's requirement to practice social distancing and wear face coverings. The University of Arkansas cancelled on-campus events into later this month in an effort to curb the spread of the coronavirus.