

EWC Update for March 27

- **Kitchen Rules:** To ensure social distancing in our shared kitchen facilities, we are implementing new rules for using shared kitchens in all EWC residential buildings. We ask everyone to be considerate and understanding as you all adjust to this new procedure. We welcome feedback on making these rules as effective as possible. Education Program students may contact sidhus@eastwestcenter.org with feedback. All other residents may contact housing@eastwestcenter.org with feedback.
 - Please take every precaution to practice safe social distancing when sharing kitchen areas with others, including wiping down surfaces before and after use.
 - Please limit your time in the kitchen to allow fellow residents to access the space (suggested time of 45 minutes).
 - Hale Mānoa: No more than 4 residents at any time. This applies to all kitchens.
 - Hale Kuahine: No more than 3 residents at any time in the large (D-Wing) kitchen. Only 2 residents at any time in the small (B-Wing or Courtyard) kitchen.
 - Lincoln Hall: No more than 2 residents in the basement facilities room at any time.
- **Reminder - Elevators:** No more than 2 residents in an elevator at any time and residents must stand at opposite sides of the elevator – see **attached** poster. Please be patient and kind as you wait for the elevators and keep a safe distance away from others who are waiting.
- **Cookies!** EWC Staff members are thinking of all of you. Robin Miller from the Research Program has baked 15 dozen cookies for our dormitory residents and staff. These are being distributed by EWC front desk staff at Hale Mānoa. One bag per person please so that there are enough for all!
- **Cybersecurity:** As COVID-19 is making us shift even more of our day-to-day lives online, make sure you are alert to cyber threats and scams. We have noted an increase in email scams, including those impersonating a high-level employee from an organization. Sometimes the email seems to be from someone you know, so look carefully at the email address before you click and do not respond. Please check-in separately with the person to confirm they really did send you an email, before taking action. For more information and tips, please see new links under **Resources**.
- **EWCPA:** For Education Program students, your EWC Participant Association is mobilizing to continue its student support, community building and advocacy role during this period. They invite any EWC students who are not currently on their listserv to sign up. You can receive announcements (including the EWCPA newsletter), reply, and post announcements of your own. To join, please [Click here](#).
- **Resources:**

- EWC FAQs including what to do if you think you have been exposed to COVID-19: [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\)](#)
- CDC info about symptoms and protecting yourself: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/index.html>
- Hawaii Department of Health status updates: <https://hawaiicovid19.com/>
- Information about keeping healthy and boosting your immune system <https://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/health/wellness-and-prevention>
- **New** Info about scams related to Covid-19: <https://www.us-cert.gov/ncas/current-activity/2020/03/06/defending-against-covid-19-cyber-scams>
- **New** info about phishing scams, including fake CEO/Business Email Compromise emails: <https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/how-recognize-and-avoid-phishing-scams>
- EWC housing contact email, which is regularly and frequently monitored by EWC staff: housing@eastwestcenter.org.

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