

April 8th, 2020

Dear Directors,

President, Tohoku University
Hideo Ohno

Action Plan has been raised to Level 3

Yesterday, I announced the "Tohoku University Emergency Action Plan" (hereinafter referred to as the "Action Plan") and asked for your response to it.

However, as more of our students have since tested positive for the COVID-19 and given that the disease is spreading throughout Japan, I have decided to raise the university to Level 3 of the Action Plan from today, April 8th.

I ask you to make further efforts to prevent COVID-19 infections. Especially I ask you to ascertain your students' situation and pay close attention to them.

○Action Plan <Level 3>

■ Only minimum number of laboratory staff necessary are permitted to enter the laboratories in order to continue experiments and research in progress.

The staff members entering the laboratories must minimize the amount of time they stay on-site, and other staff members should work from home.

■ In principle, when holding meetings only online conferences/teleconferences are permitted.

■ Classes will be taught online only.

- I ask you to keep track of the students' health situation through their laboratories and to promptly prepare a consultation and guidance system to respond to their anxiety and concerns.

■ Extracurricular activities for students continue to be prohibited.

■ Minimum number of staff can enter the offices, other staff must telework.

○Matters of the highest priority

Every department must make a contact system covering all students and staff.

Make a contact list of your department's students and their advisors, clearly indicating each student's advisor, using the attached form.

From now on, I ask you to keep track of your students' situation closely.

These actions will keep Tohoku University members healthy.

I ask you to act quickly and appropriately so that we can return to a free and open campus life as soon as possible.

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