Welcome to Friday. My videoblog today touches on election developments, Monday’s open registration, and my guests for the Presidential Dialogue Series.

As you have likely noticed, the number COVID-19 cases across both the state and the county have risen considerably. This is reflected in a number of COVID-19 positive cases being reported on MC campuses and worksites recently. Please continue to use caution, especially as the holidays approach. Montgomery County is currently described as having a “very high transmission” rate, according to data on the county dashboard. Please keep vulnerable people in mind as you make your plans. The out-of-state travel advisory has been renewed by Governor Hogan. Marylanders are strongly advised against traveling to states with positivity rates of 10 percent or higher.

Let’s all work to stay safe and prevent transmission of the coronavirus.