

SPECIAL EDITION

# COVID-19 NEWS

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## **President Cheng offers advice on beating finals week stress (VIDEO)**

Much has changed this semester, but one thing that hasn't is NAU's commitment to a good education. As we approach finals week, President Cheng has advice for students: finish strong, use the resources available to you and take care of yourself.

**[Watch the full video online.](#)**



## **NAU atmospheric scientist finds U.S. carbon dioxide emissions have dropped to unprecedented levels during pandemic**

SICCS professor Kevin Gurney, who measures greenhouse gas emissions in major U.S. cities, said the decrease in driving as people stay home during the pandemic has led to the low levels. This forced reduction could lead to valuable insights on energy consumption.

[Read about Gurney's findings.](#)



## **Lumberjacks across the country celebrate NAU's Axe of Kindness**

Last week, NAU held its second annual Giving Day. Alumni, faculty, staff, students and friends of NAU from more than 39 states participated, sending messages of encouragement to their neighbors, supporting local businesses, thanking first responders, along with other acts to spread kindness and Lumberjack spirit during these unprecedented times.

With more than 650 gifts, donors gave more than \$74,000 to the Emergency Response Funds and another \$31,000 to other areas of need across the university. [More information can be found on the NAU Foundation website.](#)



### **PPE donations, ITS hotspots among the many ways NAU is helping rural Arizona during crisis**

SICCS assistant professor Kyle N. Winfree's lab **3-D printed and donated the face shields** for frontline and health care workers at a number of facilities on the Navajo Nation. Chad Hamill, vice president of the Office of Native American Initiatives, delivered 73 face shields to Tuba City Hospital last week and is making a similar delivery to the Hopi Emergency Operations Center on Wednesday. NAU's ITS team also expanded the mobile parking lot hotspots on the reservation with installations at the Cameron and Gap chapter houses. For more information on how to access internet statewide, visit [nau.edu/access](http://nau.edu/access).

And the donations extend far beyond NAU programs. Two NAU donors, including a faculty member, have designated funds be used to provide personal protective equipment and support to frontline defenders and purchase and provide equipment to clinical areas where nursing students and faculty members work. That equipment is being distributed throughout the state, including to Tuba City, Flagstaff Medical Center, Kingman Regional Medical Center, Fort Defiance, Little Colorado and others.

**[NAUgo app adds COVID-19 module containing latest news, resources for NAU community](#)**

**[NAU-TV, cheerleader discuss staying fit while staying at home \(VIDEO\)](#)**

