



## Summer 2021: COVID-19 Campus Policies

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### Introduction

In light of the new COVID-19 guidelines in the state of Ohio, Hiram College has updated its campus policies. Please review the sections below pertaining to you and your role at the College for the latest health and safety policies.

While the guidelines included in this document are the College's policies to keep the Hiram community safe moving forward, we ask that you take the appropriate precautions for you and those around you. Community members are welcome to continue the use of face masks, social distancing and other health measures regardless of vaccination status. Please do your part to keep Hiram College safe.

All guidelines are subject to change as the College monitors the health of its community members this summer.

## Summer Residents and Guests to Residence Halls

- Unvaccinated students will be tested prior to moving to summer housing.
- There will be no surveillance testing during the summer for residents.
- Starting June 2, there will be no requirement for wearing masks inside or outside the residence halls for summer residents. This start date allows vaccinated residents to develop their full immunity.
- Unvaccinated residents should wear masks indoors in any building other than their residence hall and in gatherings outside (unless they are able to maintain a distance of six feet while outside) since the community at large has not yet achieved herd immunity. Residents should wear masks in the Dining Hall when obtaining food, but masking is not required at their table. (See [Dining](#).)
- All unvaccinated guests of summer residents must be masked on campus unless they are inside a residence hall. All overnight guests must be registered with the Office of Residential Education.
- Any resident who develops symptoms of COVID-19 should:
  - Wear a mask everywhere except in their residence hall room.
  - Get tested at Rite-Aid in Garrettsville (10764 North St, Garrettsville, OH 44231) or another testing location and quarantine themselves until they receive results.
  - If a resident does not have a car, they can request a home test from the Office of Residential Education or the Office of Campus Safety.
  - There will be over-the-counter medication packs with instructions available through the Office of Residential Education.
- Residents who test positive for COVID-19 should:
  - Isolate for 10 full days after symptoms appear and beyond that if they still have a fever.
  - Symptoms must be improved (except for loss of smell and/or taste) and the individual must be fever-free without the use of fever-reducing medications for 24 hours prior to leaving isolation.
  - Contact tracing will be done by the Office of Residential Education.
  - Portage County will be notified of a positive test result by the testing agency.
  - The Office of Residential Education will make isolation spaces available.
- If any unvaccinated resident has a known exposure, they should either:
  - Quarantine for seven full days. On Day #5, get a PCR COVID test at Rite-Aid in Garrettsville (10764 North St, Garrettsville, OH 44231) or another testing location. If the test result is negative and no symptoms have developed, then quarantine ends the morning of Day #8.
  - Or quarantine for 10 full days. If no symptoms have developed by Day #10, then quarantine ends the morning of Day #11 after exposure.
- If any vaccinated resident has a known exposure, they do not need to quarantine but should monitor themselves for symptoms and avoid contact with those vulnerable to serious disease for 14 days.

## Faculty and Staff

- If vaccinated, there will be no mask requirement for faculty and staff members.
- If unvaccinated, faculty and staff members should continue to wear masks indoors and in gatherings outdoors (unless they are able to maintain a distance of six feet while outdoors).
- There will be no surveillance testing during the summer for faculty and staff.

## Visitors to Campus

- While outdoors, there will be no mask requirement for visitors to campus.
- Due to the College's inability to verify vaccination status of visitors to campus and the lack of herd immunity in the state and county, we are asking visitors who are not fully vaccinated to wear a mask indoors.

## Camp Attendees and Spectators

- Overnight camp policies and procedures can be obtained from the Office of Special Events.
- For camp attendees over the age of 10, parents and guardians must drop off and pick up attendees outside campus buildings. Parents and guardians will not be able to enter campus buildings during drop off and pick up.
- If camp attendees or staff exhibit symptoms of COVID-19, they should not attend camp until they can provide a negative COVID test result. Refunds for camp withdrawals and cancellations will be handled per policy of the specific camp attended.
- For outdoors camps:
  - There will be no mask requirement for camp attendees or staff unless groups are congregated in small or enclosed spaces.
  - Camp attendees should maintain a social distance of six feet when not engaged in activity.
- For indoor camps:
  - Camp attendees will be required to wear masks when not engaged in activity and are unable to maintain a social distance of six feet.
  - All indoor-camp attendees will receive a daily temperature screening.
- Spectators are only permitted for games and scrimmages.
  - For outdoor-camp events, camp organizers must limit spectators to 50% capacity where seating is providing (otherwise, 100% permitted). There will be no mask requirement for spectators at outdoor-camp events as long as social distance is maintained from camp attendees and staff.
  - For indoor-camp events, spectators are strongly discouraged. If spectators are present, camp organizers must limit spectators to 50% capacity. Spectators will be required to wear masks while indoors unless their vaccination status is known. If vaccinated, spectators should continue to wear masks until seated six feet apart.

## Admission Guests

- Guests will receive a temperature screening upon arrival. If a guest has a temperature over 100.4 F, they must be masked, excluded from any campus tour, and quarantined from others.
- Individuals do not need to remain masked during outside portions of a campus tour.
- Individuals not fully vaccinated should be masked for any indoor portion of a campus tour or for any indoor presentations or meetings.

## Dining

- Individuals do not need to maintain a social distance when seated at tables while dining. Tables will be positioned six feet apart.
- When getting food, individuals should wear masks.
- AVI and other dining employees will wear masks while serving food.
- Dining facilities will not offer food in self-service buffets. Beverages will be available from self-service dispensers, but not pitchers.

## Gym and Workout Facilities

- Anyone using workout facilities must sign in and maintain a physical distance of six feet with others using the facilities.
- Vaccinated individuals are not required to wear masks.
- Unvaccinated individuals should wear masks except when actively participating in cardiovascular activities and are more than six feet from other individuals.