Spring 2022 Campus Reminders

Happy New Year!

The Spring 2022 semester begins on TODAY. As we prepare to start another academic semester, here are some important health and safety reminders for all students:

As you are aware, Massachusetts Community College members – including students, faculty, and staff – must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and submit verification of their full vaccination status to the College in order to be eligible for in-person courses and campus activities.

If you are vaccinated and have not uploaded your vaccination information yet, please do so [HERE](#).

Students taking remote courses and/or using remote services are not required to upload their vaccination information, but can do so if they wish – especially if they anticipate wanting to come onto campus and use in-person services.

On-campus learning and services are available to all students and potential students that are fully vaccinated. Remote services remain available to ALL students.

To reach an office or service by phone or email, please visit our [CAMPUS DIRECTORY](#).

If you are coming onto campus, please consider the following safety concerns:

- In-person classes and services do require full vaccination. Remote services are available for students who are not fully vaccinated.
- Face coverings are required inside the building, during in-person classes, and while on campus. Students without a face covering will not be permitted to enter the building. [Face coverings should be worn over both the nose and mouth](#).
- Students attending / visiting the [Leominster campus](#) will enter through the side entrance that faces the BJ’s Wholesale Club. [Face coverings are required](#).
- Students attending / visiting the [Gardner campus](#) should park in Lot B or C.
- Students attending / visiting the [Fitchburg](#) and [Devens](#) campus will enter the building through the main entrances. [Face coverings are required](#).
- All persons in the building are expected to maintain social distancing, practice excellent personal hygiene, and follow all signage and direction posted in the building to maintain the safety of the community.
- Eating or drinking is not permitted in the classroom or in areas where social distancing is not possible. Students who are eating/drinking can do so in a space where it is safe to remove their face covering (outside, South Café, Student Center, etc.).
- **Students should NOT come to campus if they are not feeling well.**

What happens if I test positive for COVID-19?

- Please contact Student Services immediately at [studentservices@mwcc.mass.edu](mailto:studentservices@mwcc.mass.edu).
- Please refrain from ANY in-person activity.
• People who test positive for COVID-19 are required to isolate for five (5) FULL days. The day you test positive is considered Day Zero. You will isolate for the next five days and would be eligible to return on the sixth day. Student Services will provide specific guidance to you.
• Students in isolation will not attend in-person classes until they are cleared (after 5 full days). They should try to keep up with their course work remotely during this time.
• You do not need a negative COVID test to return to in-person activity. You just need to complete your five day isolation and be feeling better.
• Students still not feeling well after those 5 days should contact Student Services and seek medical attention from their PCP. Students not feeling well should remain off-campus.
• People who test positive are expected to wear a face covering for at least 10 days in all public spaces and areas.

What happens if I am exposed to someone with COVID-19?

• If you are fully vaccinated and feeling well, you are NOT required to quarantine.
• You should monitor your symptoms CLOSELY. If you develop ANY symptoms – no matter how mild – you should refrain from in-person activity and seek guidance from your PCP. It is advised that you get tested if you were a close contact and start having symptoms.
• If you test negative, but are still feeling ill – please stay home.
• If you test positive, you will begin your five day isolation period (see above).

If you have any questions, please reach out to Student Services at studentservices@mwcc.mass.edu.

Let’s work together to start the semester STRONG and SAFE!