

**CINCINNATI STATE TECHNICAL & COMMUNITY COLLEGE**  
**STUDENT STATEMENT of PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY**  
**Revised March 14, 2022**

I understand that when I am present on a Cincinnati State campus I must act responsibly at all times to protect myself and other members of the campus community in order to minimize the spread of COVID-19.

I understand that while I am on a Cincinnati State campus, I am expected to follow the applicable safety guidelines and recommendations, as currently published by the Ohio Department of Health, the Hamilton County (Ohio) Department of Health, and the Butler County (Ohio) Department of Health.

I understand that whether I am fully vaccinated, partly vaccinated, or unvaccinated:

- I will comply with safety directives as conveyed by my instructors and other Cincinnati State representatives, which may include following requirements that apply to a specific classroom, lab, or academic support area such as wearing a mask, eye shield, or gloves, or using other safety protocols.
- I will respect the privacy of other members of the campus community and recognize that no one is required to reveal whether they are vaccinated. I also will strive to show respect for all members of the College community at all times.
- I will follow the guidelines on the flowchart (page 2) if I test positive for COVID-19 or if I am in close contact with someone diagnosed with COVID-19, including guidelines for wearing a mask when necessary because of a positive test or exposure.
  - “Close contact” means I was within 6 feet (2 arm lengths) of the person diagnosed with COVID for 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period.
  - Symptoms associated with COVID-19 include:
    - A fever of greater than 100.4 degrees
    - Body aches and/or chills
    - Mild or moderate difficulty breathing
    - New or worsening cough
    - Sore throat
    - Vomiting or diarrhea
    - Loss of taste and/or smell
  - If I must miss class because of a positive COVID test or exposure, I understand that I will need to talk to each of my instructors regarding possible arrangements for making up work.
    - I understand that my instructors may require proof of the reason for my absence.
- I understand that Cincinnati State recommends, but does not require, wearing face coverings (masks) while on campus, except as may be required to meet safety standards for some settings described above. However, masks continue to be a valuable form of protection for those at higher risk and are recommended for those who are not fully vaccinated while in locations that are indoors and/or crowded. Therefore, I will support and respect individuals who choose to wear masks.
- I will comply with safety directives on posted signs and provided in email communications from the College.

If you have questions about this policy statement, send a message to [covid-19@cincinnati.edu](mailto:covid-19@cincinnati.edu) and you will receive a reply.

# Cincinnati State COVID-19 GUIDELINES - Spring 2022

(Based on [CDC guidelines as updated 12-27-2021](#))

## I have tested positive for COVID-19:

**TESTED POSITIVE FOR COVID-19**  
(Regardless of vaccination status)

**and**

**HAVE SYMPTOMS:**

**STAY HOME FOR**  
**5 DAYS**

starting from the date your symptoms began.

- If your symptoms fully resolve\* after 5 days, you can return to campus, but you must wear a tight-fitting KN95 or N95 face mask^ for 10 full days from the start of your symptoms.
- If you cannot wear a KN95 or N95 mask properly and consistently, you should stay home for 10 days.

**TESTED POSITIVE FOR COVID-19**  
(Regardless of vaccination status)

**and**

**NOT YET HAD SYMPTOMS:**

**STAY HOME FOR**  
**5 DAYS**

starting from the date you were tested.

- After you return to campus, you must wear a tight-fitting N95 or N95 face mask^ for 5 additional days.
- If you cannot wear a KN95 or N95 mask properly and consistently, you must stay home for 10 days.

## I have been exposed to someone with COVID-19:

If you are  
**NOT FULLY VACCINATED\*\***

Or if you were FULLY VACCINATED with MODERNA or PFIZER OVER 6 MONTHS AGO and NOT BOOSTED  
Or if you were VACCINATED with J&J OVER 2 MONTHS AGO and NOT BOOSTED

**and**

you have been in CLOSE CONTACT\*\*\* with someone diagnosed with COVID-19:

**STAY HOME FOR**  
**5 DAYS**

- Test on day 5 if possible.
- If you have no symptoms, you can return to campus after day 5.
- You must wear a tight-fitting N95 or N95 face mask^ for 10 days from your COVID-19 exposure.
- If you develop symptoms, stay home and get tested.

If you are  
**FULLY VACCINATED\*\* and BOOSTED**

Or if you were FULLY VACCINATED\*\* with MODERNA or PFIZER within the LAST 6 MONTHS  
Or if you were VACCINATED with J&J within the LAST 2 MONTHS

**and**

You have been in CLOSE CONTACT\*\*\* with someone diagnosed with COVID-19:

**STAY MASKED AND DISTANCED FROM OTHERS FOR**  
**10 DAYS**

- If you do not have symptoms, you can continue to be on campus.
- You must wear a tight-fitting N95 or N95 face mask^ for 10 days from your COVID-19 exposure.
- Test on day 5 if possible.
- If you develop symptoms, stay home and get tested.

\* **SYMPTOMS:** If you no longer have a fever and/or persistent cough, and you no longer “feel sick,” it is acceptable to return to campus.

(COVID-19 symptoms can include: Fever above 100.4 degrees, New or worsening cough, Body aches and/or chills, Mild or moderate difficulty breathing, Sore throat, Vomiting or diarrhea, Loss of ability to taste and/or smell)

\*\***FULLY VACCINATED:** You are “fully vaccinated” two weeks after receiving your second dose of the Moderna or Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine or two weeks after receiving the single-dose Johnson & Johnson (Janssen) vaccine.

\*\*\***CLOSE CONTACT:** You were within 6 feet (two arm lengths) of someone diagnosed with COVID-19, for at least 15 minutes over a 24-hour period.

^ **KN95 face masks are available on campus.** Students should ask instructors; employees should check with your division/department office.