Students & Families Virtual Town Hall: Return to Campus

Virtual Town Hall
5:30 p.m., Thursday, August 11

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Email: covid-19@cofc.edu
COVID-19 Approach for the College of Charleston Campus Fall 2022
First Things First
Make sure you are up to date on your COVID Vaccine

CDC recommends COVID-19 primary series vaccines for everyone ages 6 months and older, and COVID-19 boosters for everyone ages 5 years and older, if eligible.
Have a supply of KN95 or similar to use
Have a supply of COVID-19 Self-Test Kits

Aim to have at least 4 self-test kits on hand. Residential students should seek to get free tests kit prior to move-in on campus at [https://www.covid.gov/tests](https://www.covid.gov/tests)

Test yourself if you have COVID symptoms. Report positive cases to the Back on the Bricks website. Symptomatic students can be tested at Student Health Services.
Know your risk ahead of time.

If you are immunocompromised or most at risk for complications, start the semester knowing where you can get antiviral treatment in the event you get COVID this fall.

The College is sending out weekly reminders from the CofC COVID-19 Information email account with helpful links and information.
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<td>Self-test kits are available at Student Health Services (students only) and the Office of Human Resources (faculty and staff only)</td>
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<td>Posting weekly dashboard results of CofC positive cases and their close contacts</td>
<td>Continued surveillance of self-reports on campus and in the community, and adjusting campus protocols when and if necessary</td>
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<td>Isolation and quarantine housing for residential students</td>
<td>Individual student-initiated plans for incidences of COVID-19. Plan to leave campus for five days or, if leaving campus is not an option, enact isolation-in-place protocol because no on-campus isolation and quarantine housing is available</td>
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<td>Contact tracing of CofC community members</td>
<td>Individual responsibility for maintaining isolation and quarantine guidance as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control</td>
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<td>Daily individual phone calls to students in isolation</td>
<td>Access to Student Health Services (8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday – Friday) as well as 24/7 virtual care through the Medical University of South Carolina</td>
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<td>On-campus surveillance testing</td>
<td>Symptomatic students should reach out to Student Health Services for testing, and symptomatic faculty and staff members should reach out to their primary care provider</td>
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Have you had the COVID Talk?

All students, whether on or off campus, should make a plan with roommates/housemates about what will happen in their living space when someone is either exposed to or develops COVID-19.

Report positive cases using the Self-Report Form on the Back on the Bricks Website.

Anyone on days 0-5 of isolation for COVID-19 may not attend class, academic meetings or socialize on campus in any way until their isolation is complete.

If symptoms have resolved 5 days after a COVID positive test date, individuals may return to campus wearing an KN95 mask and maintain social distance for days 6-10 of isolation. People who remain symptomatic should complete 10 days away from campus.
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All Students:

• Prioritize leaving campus for 5 days if you are COVID positive regardless of vaccination status.

• Determine if you will go home by car, stay with friends and family or rent an isolation space away from campus.
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Residential Students:

• If all options to leave campus have been exhausted an isolation-in-place protocol may need to be enacted.

• Dedicated space for Isolation and Quarantine will not be available on campus for students.
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All Students who have a COVID Positive Person Isolating-in-Place:

- **Talk about how you will isolate-in-place.** Uninfected roommates may need to move into a common space, so that the roommate with COVID-19 can isolate in a room alone.

- **Plan for how shared bathrooms will be cleaned** between uses.

- **Discuss that shared areas** will not be occupied by any roommates with COVID-19 during their isolation period.

- Plan for roommates who have COVID-19 to **isolate together**, away from roommates who have not tested positive.

- **Plan with your roommates or other friends** for **how you will get meals, go to the pharmacy or get any supplies** if you are in isolation or quarantine. Students in isolation or quarantine may briefly leave their residence while wearing a KN95 mask and social distancing to pick up meals or other necessities.
On Campus Resources for COVID-19

- Student Health Services is available Monday through Friday 8:30-5:00 to support students who have tested positive for COVID or are symptomatic for COVID.

- Free 24/7 Virtual Care is available through MUSC for all enrolled students.

- Test kits are available for Students at Student Health Services, 181 Calhoun Street, and for faculty and staff members at Human Resources, Suite 36, Lightsey Center basement, 160 Calhoun St.
On Campus Resources for COVID-19

- **KN95 masks** are **available** for pick-up from the following campus locations during regular business hours (8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., M-F).
  - Residence Hall front desks
  - Student Health Services, 181 Calhoun Street
  - Stern Student Center, 71 George Street
  - Human Resources, Suite 36, Lightsey Center basement, 160 Calhoun Street
  - Public Safety, 89 St. Philip Street
  - Campus Services HQ, 162 Calhoun Street, first floor of Berry Hall
Main Protection From the Worst Outcomes of COVID-19?

Get fully Up-To-Date on your COVID Vaccine
Campus Housing: Move-in

We can’t wait to welcome you to campus!

- Move-in dates: August 19-20
  - Early move-in: August 17 (approved groups or extenuating circumstances)
  - Also available August 21-23 (no street closures)
- Students must have move-in appointment
- No more than three people allowed to assist in residence hall
- Use Campus Housing’s driving directions
Campus Housing: Move-in

Tips for a successful move-in:

- Prepare for all types of weather. It will be hot. It might rain! Bring something to cover your items.
- Limit how much you bring.
- Label your boxes/items.
- Look for greeters or Public Safety Officers who can direct you to your unloading zone.
- Students will need their Cougar Card to get their room key. Please also bring a government-issued ID.

Bins are:
32” H x 28” W x 40” L
2022 MOVE-OUT WEEKEND:

- ~133,000 lbs of material to the landfill
- ~12% of our annual waste (over just a few days!)
STUDENTS ARE BRINGING MORE TO CAMPUS

One person, one day

2022
40
lbs landfill per resident at move-out

2014 - 2016
27
lbs landfill per resident at move-out
WHAT CAN YOU DO?

• Don’t need it? Don’t bring it!
  • Check out Campus Housing’s "What to Bring to Campus" webpage, especial for what not to bring
  • Plan with your roommate(s), suitemate(s) or even hall mate(s) – avoid duplicate items

• Prioritize thrifted before buying new
  • Cougar Free Store - sustain.cofc.edu for more info

• Use breaks to reduce quantities
  • Bring you winter clothes to campus after fall break and take them home at spring break.

• Start move-out early

• Participate in Mindful Move-out
  • Donate (early)
  • Volunteer!
MINDFUL MOVE-IN:

- Recycle boxes at cardboard corrals
  - Remove packing material
  - Flatten
- Cougar Free Store pop-ups at City Bistro & Liberty Fresh Foods
  - Friday 12 - 2pm
  - Saturday 12 - 2pm
- Follow signage for recycling instructions
  - Check out zerowaste.cofc.edu for recycling guides & more!

FREE STUFF at Pop-ups:

- Bed risers
- Hangers
- Tubs, baskets, containers
- Trash cans
- Mirrors
Stay Informed

CofC News: today.cofc.edu

Back on the Bricks: go.cofc.edu/bricks

IT Help Portal: help.cofc.edu
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