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COVID Guidelines

Fall 2021 (updated 8/23/21)





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This document sets out the COVID policies and protocols for the Fall 2021 semester at Washington College. Policies are subject to change as the COVID situation continues to evolve and any such revisions will be communicated and posted to the COVID section of the Washington College website. **UPDATED as of 8/23/21.**

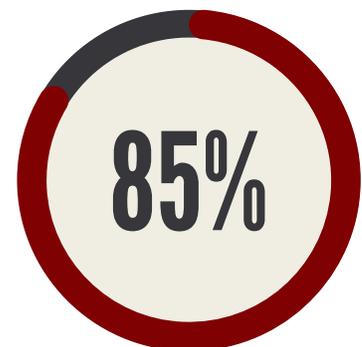
The focus for fall is a return to normal. For some areas, operations are returning to pre-COVID standards. In some cases, protocols will differ depending on an individual's vaccination status. Please review the full document, as this is the most comprehensive source for what you need to know about the fall return.

If any operations are still under evaluation, we have indicated that here. Updates to this guidance will be communicated as decisions around those operational areas are finalized.

The most important question surrounding how we proceed for the fall is the percentage of our community – students, faculty and staff - that is vaccinated. **The goal is a minimum of 85% which we believe will provide us with what is commonly known as herd immunity and allows us to relax or remove most of the COVID safety practices that were in place for the spring and some that are detailed within this document. Less than that and we will need to implement additional layers of safety measures.**

If you have questions, need clarity, or feel there are areas that we have overlooked, please contact us at WCresponseteam@washcoll.edu.

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COVID DASHBOARD

We have not yet finalized a Fall 2021 COVID Dashboard. We do know that we intend to continue some version of this tool, to provide transparency around any COVID cases that occur on campus along with the results of any regular testing. We also know it will look different than what was posted last semester, given that the data available to us will differ in the fall.

The Dashboard will return in early September, and we will keep you apprised as to what data points we intend to monitor and post as we get closer to that timeframe.



Alert Level

We will no longer operate using a daily Alert Level. We reserve the right to announce that the campus – or a particular location on campus – has gone into a heightened alert level and then take necessary actions to protect the health and safety of our community. This would only occur if we were to experience a COVID outbreak.

COMMUNICATIONS & UPDATES

The COVID section of the website will remain in place for the fall semester. CPG Updates will also continue as needed, though we have not yet established any specific cadence. Any breaking news or important updates will continue to come from the WC Response Team email account in a timely manner.

HEALTH & SAFETY



Face Masks

Face masks are no longer required outdoors for those who are vaccinated. Masks are advised for those who are unvaccinated, particularly in any areas where social distancing is not possible.

While on campus, everyone - regardless of vaccination status - must wear a mask in indoor public spaces. These are areas where you are likely to come into contact with others that you do not live with or share an office with. These areas include classrooms and labs, CAC, Miller Library, JFC and Cain, theaters and other large meeting areas.

Face masks are NOT going to be required in the following indoor spaces:

- When students are in their own room or suite in the residence hall
- While alone in a private office
- Student-athletes playing or practicing under the supervision of their coach when NCAA guidance permits doing so without masks
- Within residence halls, students are strongly recommended to wear face masks when they are in shared spaces such as laundry rooms, lounges, kitchens, hallways, etc. when they are in the company of others.



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HEALTH & SAFETY (cont'd)

Face Masks

In accordance with CDC guidance, all unvaccinated members of the Washington College community should continue to wear masks at all times, particularly if they are unable to maintain physical distance of 6' away from others.

Required Vaccines

Washington College continues to require that students receive vaccines against preventable diseases. This is to help mitigate risk to our campus community and to support public health efforts in disease containment. Required vaccines for the 2021-22 academic year include MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella), TDAP (Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis), Varicella (chickenpox), Polio, Hepatitis B, Meningitis, and COVID-19. Faculty and staff are also encouraged to be current on their vaccines, including the COVID-19 vaccine.

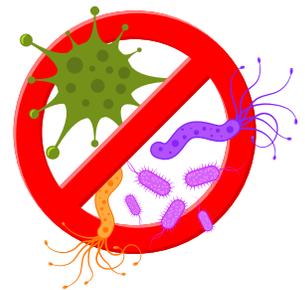
In accordance with state and federal laws, Washington College will honor bona fide medical and religious exemptions for any or all of the required vaccines. For more details on how to request an exemption (and other FAQ's), [click here](#).

We recognize that some international students may have difficulties in accessing the COVID-19 vaccine at home or may have questions about whether the vaccine they receive is recognized by the World Health Organization (WHO), which is Washington College's standard for accepting the vaccine. Washington College will assist students in this situation in setting up vaccine appointments upon arrival.

Flu Shots

While not required, we strongly recommend that everyone receive a flu shot in the fall, to protect themselves and our community against a flu outbreak. Washington College will be setting up flu clinics in order to make flu shots accessible to all students, staff and faculty. Students do not need to get flu shots before arriving on campus.

Please be aware that students who experience flu-like symptoms will be required to isolate as a suspected COVID-19 case, given the similarities in symptoms.

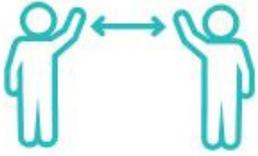




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Social Distancing



We will be continuing with some level of social distancing, though we will no longer mandate a 6' distance. In many areas around campus, removing the social distancing mandate also removes the need for restricting capacities, effectively restoring these areas to pre-COVID standards.

That being said, please be patient and kind with respect to physical distance. Everyone has a different level of comfort with the “re-entry” to post-COVID normal and handshakes, hugs and chest bumps may very well be in the category of “too soon” (or never!) for other members of our community. In short, if those around you prefer to continue to maintain a greater distance, the right thing to do is to be respectful of that.

Within those spaces that return to normal occupancy, we will also ensure that there is space available for any members of our community who are unvaccinated and require physical distancing or for any other reasons wish to maintain a greater distance from others. And those who are unvaccinated and/or choose to wear a mask in these spaces for personal reasons, they are encouraged to do so.

COVID-19 Testing

• **Gateway Testing**

Even with the majority of our campus vaccinated, the American College Health Association strongly recommends that institutes of higher learning implement gateway testing. With students traveling from all over to come to Chestertown, this will catch any breakthrough cases and help to provide assurances that we are coming together as a COVID-free community.

In accordance with this recommendation, gateway testing is required for all students living on or off-campus, regardless of vaccination status.

For students living on campus, Kirby Stadium should be your first stop upon arrival. Health Services will administer a rapid antigen test. You will need to be enrolled in the NAVICA app for this, and information will be sent out by email prior to the start of the semester, with instructions for completing the set-up.

The gateway testing process is as follows:

- If the gateway antigen test is negative, students will receive their key and proceed with move-in.
- If the gateway antigen test returns a positive result, then a confirmatory COVID test is required. (see next page for associated costs)
 - If the confirmatory COVID test is negative, students will proceed with move-in.
 - If a student opts for a LabCorp test, they will be required to quarantine until the results are returned. Rapid tests are available for the confirmatory test.
 - If the confirmatory COVID test is positive, students will be placed in Isolation and will follow those protocols.



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• Gateway Testing - Costs

- There is no cost to students for gateway antigen tests.
- If a gateway antigen test returns a positive result, a confirmatory PCR test is required. This test is billable. The two options are:
 - **Rapid PCR Tests** - cost is \$75 when administered by the College, and the cost will be billed to the student's account. Results are returned in approximately 15 mins.
 - **LabCorp Test** - this type of COVID-19 test will be billed to the student's health insurance, so the associated billing will be determined based on the family's plan. Nothing will be billed to the student or family by Washington College when using the LabCorp option.
 - If a student chooses the LabCorp option for the confirmatory test, they will be required to quarantine until the results are returned, which is 2-3 days.



Off-campus students must make arrangements with Health Services to complete their gateway testing.

• Surveillance Testing

Vaccinated students, staff or faculty will not be required to participate in surveillance testing.

Unvaccinated students will be required to participate in regular surveillance testing. Testing will be administered in Kirby Stadium. Anyone who is enrolled in surveillance testing must enroll with NAVICA, as the process will be managed through this app. There is no cost for surveillance testing, which will be done with a rapid antigen test. As with the gateway testing, any student who tests positive with the rapid antigen surveillance testing will need to have a confirmatory PCR test administered. This testing is currently being done weekly, but the frequency may increase.

For staff, faculty and other workers, surveillance testing will be required for anyone who does not have a COVID vaccine card on file with Health Services.

• Symptomatic Testing

Any student who is exhibiting symptoms of COVID will be tested by the Health Services Team. Symptomatic students should assume they are positive and follow all guidance for isolation while they await test results. Symptomatic testing is available Mon-Fri during regular business hours only through Health Services, but if a student does become ill over a weekend, all other support and resources will be available. Symptomatic tests are billable - see Gateway Testing costs for details.

NOTE: If a student who is ill is able to safely travel home to recover, they are encouraged to do so. For students with symptoms, clearance to return will only be granted once it has been at least 10 days since symptoms first appeared, it has been at least 24 hours with no fever (without the use of fever-reducing medication) and all symptoms have improved. Return to campus is only permitted once students have been sent an email confirmation from either health services or the Quarantine & Isolation (Q&I) Coordinator confirming the date that you may return to campus.



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QUARANTINE & ISOLATION

There is **no quarantine prior to arrival** required for the fall semester.

Generally speaking, there is no quarantine upon arrival required for the fall semester. Exceptions to this include:

- A student tests positive for COVID-19 during gateway testing
- A student's gateway antigen test is positive and they elect for a LabCorp test as a follow-up – quarantine will be required while they await the results of the COVID test (2-3 days)
- A student arrives on campus unvaccinated due to the inability to receive a WHO or FDA-approved vaccine at home.
- International students who are coming from home or students who have been traveling abroad in the two weeks prior to arriving on campus, regardless of vaccination status (see below).

International Students

International students who are traveling from home to arrive on campus will have slightly different requirements upon arrival. These include:

- For vaccinated students (must be an FDA or WHO approved vaccine), there will be a mandatory 3-5 day quarantine upon arrival, followed by a repeat COVID test.
- For unvaccinated students, there will be a mandatory 7-day quarantine upon arrival, followed by a repeat COVID test and weekly surveillance testing until the student is fully vaccinated.
- This initial quarantine will be the limited-movement period, which means students can go pick up meals, get their mail, and get outside for some exercise.
- New/transfer students who have Orientation activities scheduled during this time period will be permitted to attend, but will be required to wear a mask and maintain social distance.



NOTE: Any international student who did not travel outside of the US during the summer will not be required to comply with these protocols.

QUARANTING & ISOLATING

We will continue with standard Quarantine & Isolation procedures (same as the spring) for any student who becomes ill with COVID-like symptoms or tests positive for COVID-19 during the fall semester. As required of facilities who have residential occupancy when a public health pandemic emergency is declared, Washington College has identified spaces for students who must isolate or quarantine.

Students who are required to quarantine or isolate during the semester should work closely with their faculty members to make up any work missed because of their absence. Not all in-person classes will be accessible virtually, therefore, students should communicate with their professors to determine the appropriate steps to ensure their continued participation in their courses.



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QUARANTING & ISOLATING - Cont'd

For students living on campus, there will be beds allocated separately for quarantine and isolation.

- Corsica Hall will serve as the isolation hall (for students who are ill and/or tested positive).
- Reid Hall will serve as the quarantine hall (for students who are not ill but have had a potential exposure or have been identified as a close contact).
- Off-campus students will be able to isolate and quarantine at their off-campus residences but will be expected to follow the same protocols as on-campus students.
- Students are expected to comply with all isolation and quarantine guidelines if ordered to do so by a Washington College official.

Isolation Guidelines

Current CDC guidance suggests the following:

- A symptomatic individual diagnosed with COVID-19 should self-isolate for 10 days from the start of symptoms with resolution of fever for at least 24 hours (without the use of fever reducing medications) and with improvement of other symptoms.
- An asymptomatic individual diagnosed with COVID-19 should self-isolate for 10 days from the date of testing.
- Individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19 with severe symptoms may need to extend self-isolation to 20 days.



Quarantine Guidelines

Any individual who is found to have had close contact – defined as being closer than 6' with the person who tested positive for more than 15 minutes – will be required to follow quarantine protocols. These protocols will differ based on the person's vaccination status.

• **Unvaccinated Individuals**

For those who are unvaccinated due to an approved exemption and who have been in close contact with someone diagnosed with COVID-19, there are 2 options for quarantine:

- Quarantine can end on day 10 without a COVID test.
- Quarantine can end on day 7, with a negative COVID test.
 - The test must be performed no earlier than day 5 after exposure.
 - Individuals should continue to self-monitor for symptoms through day 14, wear a mask, maintain physical distancing and avoid crowds. If symptoms develop, quarantine should remove and Health Services should be contacted.

• **Vaccinated Individuals**

Individuals who have been fully vaccinated and are exposed to someone with COVID-19 do not need to quarantine but they will be asked to wear a face mask indoors for 14 days, with a return to current masking policy if a COVID-19 test is performed 3 to 5 days after exposure and is negative.

Q&I Staff will be available 24/7 to assist any student who is required to enter either area.



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Be Quarantine-Ready!

All students should come to campus prepared with a quarantine/isolation plan, just in case. This is particularly important for any students who receive vaccine exemptions and are therefore still at risk of contracting COVID-19. This planning should include a Go-Kit that includes:

- Medications (any prescriptions you take regularly and/or OTC medications)
- Cleaning supplies
- Thermometer
- Face Masks
- Comfort Food (meals will be delivered, but your favorite snacks can be helpful)
- Comfortable Clothes
- Hygiene Products
- Towels
- Spare set of XL Twin Sheets
- Phone, Laptop and other device chargers
- Self-care items to support your overall well-being (art supplies, puzzles, crafts, exercise equipment, books, etc.)



AFTER-HOURS/WEEKEND CARE

The College will be staffed with Quarantine & Isolation Coordinators 24/7. Any student who requires care or intervention will have access to this team at any time, day or night (PH:443-480-1196). The Q&I Staff, in turn, will have access to on-call medical personnel. They will consult with those professionals as needed. Should any student need more urgent care, the Q&I Coordinators will assist in transporting them to the local hospital.

QUARANTINE & ISOLATION (Q&I) COORDINATORS

Quarantine & Isolation Coordinators will provide care and monitoring for our students required to stay in our designated Isolation & Quarantine residence halls. These services will include but are not limited to:

- facilitating pick up of ill students and their necessary belongings from their residence hall room and transporting them to the isolation space
- coordinating meal deliveries through College dining services, daily observation/check-ins with students in the Q&I residence halls and coordinating services with Health and Counseling as needed
- provide over-the-counter medicines if needed
- coordination of cleaning and linen services
- coordination of and assistance with contact tracing for faculty, staff and students
- notification of Provost's Office when a student is unable to attend classes
- notification of Provost's Office when the student is cleared to return to classes

Students can contact the Q&I Team at 443-480-1196.



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CONTACT TRACING

Washington College will work closely with the Kent County Health Department to conduct contact notification and tracing in the event of a positive or presumed case of COVID-19 or if someone is symptomatic. The process of contact notification will include outreach to anybody that the person identifies as a potential close contact both on campus and off-campus.

Contact notification will begin when an individual either becomes symptomatic and /or is found to be COVID positive. Washington College has several employees who are trained as contact tracers and will begin the process of notifying those who may have had close contact with the individual.

Contact tracers will contact individuals by phone using the primary student contact number supplied to the College. They may also use other methods to contact individuals. All students, faculty, and staff who are contacted are expected to comply with the contact notification or tracing requests. If an individual tests positive for COVID-19, the case triggers a contact tracing investigation which will be taken over by the Kent County Health Department. All community members (students, faculty, staff and other workers) are expected to comply when contacted by a contact tracer. Failure to do so may be considered a violation of College policy. If you are unsure about whether someone contacting you is a legitimate contact tracer, please call Health Services at 410-778-7261.

CAMPUS CLEANING PROTOCOLS

CDC guidance indicates that, absent an outbreak, institutions can return to normal cleaning procedures which includes cleaning public spaces and restrooms once a day to maintain a healthy facility.

The College will follow this protocol using only EPA approved chemicals to clean surfaces and bathrooms. Restrooms in student residence halls will be supplied with these products, which students can use in between regular cleanings to avoid the mixing of chemicals and the use of non-EPA approved products.

The College remains prepared to clean more frequently to choose to disinfect in shared spaces if it determines that there is an increased risk of infection in these areas.

SYMPTOM CHECKING & ATTESTATION

We are no longer requiring that students, staff or faculty utilize the emocha app or any other type of daily attestation. There may be instances where you are asked to complete a paper attestation form or receive a temperature check during entry to a particular facility.

All members of our community are expected to continue to self-monitor for any COVID (or other illness) symptoms, and take steps to seek testing and/or treatment right away should you become ill. If you become symptomatic, contact Health Services.





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ATHLETICS & RECREATION

Washington College is proceeding with a normal varsity fall practice and competition schedule. In addition, club sports will resume for the fall semester.

We are following the NCAA's re-socialization guidance for the fall, as well as any Centennial Conference requirements for the testing of athletes and/or vaccination requirements for coaches and other athletic department staff. At present, unvaccinated student-athletes who are in season are required to participate in additional surveillance testing, over and above what is required of the general student body. Vaccinated students are not required to do so, unless they are symptomatic.



Mask Policy for Student-Athletes

It should also be noted that Athletics will be following the NCAA guidelines regarding masking during practices, contests and other team activities. This includes:

- Masking during all team travel, regardless of vaccination status.
- Universal masking and physical distancing for any unvaccinated student-athletes during team meetings or "Other Athletic Activities", as well as all non-athletic in-person interactions.
- Masking in indoor settings for vaccinated student-athletes during team meetings or "Other Athletic Activities", as well as masking in indoor settings for all non-athletic in-person interactions.

ACADEMICS

Washington College is pleased to be resuming our normal in-person instruction. This includes classes, labs, office hours, and performance spaces. Students should not expect the continuation of online classes or HyFlex instruction. There may be some exceptions, but the general rule is that students and faculty will be together again in the classroom.

As has been the policy for other illness-related absences, students who are required to quarantine or isolate during the semester should work closely with their faculty members to make up any work missed because of their absence. Not all in-person classes will be accessible virtually, therefore, students should communicate with their professors to determine the appropriate steps to ensure their continued participation in their courses.

All classes will begin for all students on Monday, August 30.



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CAMPUS LIFE

Living on Campus

Residence hall occupancies are returning to normal, with many students living in doubles. Kitchens and lounges will be open for the semester.

All other rules and guidelines published in the Student Handbook apply to students living on campus, including those regarding drugs and alcohol. Students who fail to comply with College policies, including COVID-related policies, will be referred to the student conduct process and may have, at a minimum, their on-campus housing terminated.

Living Off Campus

Off-campus students are required to participate in the Gateway testing. Failure to do so may result in a lack of access to campus facilities and academic buildings. Please be sure to contact Health Services to make arrangements for your initial antigen test upon arrival to Chestertown.

All other rules and guidelines published in the Student Handbook apply to students living off campus, including those regarding drugs and alcohol. Students who fail to comply with College policies, including COVID-related policies, will be referred to the student conduct system and students who live off campus who have violated local or state laws or guideline associated with COVID-19 may also face charges from local law enforcement.

Move-In & Check-In

Outside of the additional step of receiving a gateway antigen test in Kirby Stadium, the move-in process will follow pre-COVID operations. This means students do not need to sign up for a specific date and time for move-in, and family members are welcome to accompany them and assist with moving. Because there will be many people moving about within indoor locations and they may or may not be vaccinated, we are requiring everyone wear a mask during move-in.

There is no quarantine upon arrival requirement.

First-year students arrive Monday, August 23 and will have a robust Orientation experience during the week prior to the start of classes. Second-year students will also have the option to return a day early – August 28 - to participate in a variety of activities designed specifically for this class. (More information about this is coming soon!)

Fall sports coaches will communicate directly with their student-athletes about pre-season schedules and expectations for arrival. Winter and spring sport varsity student-athletes do not arrive early unless they are approved for another reason (i.e. they are a Peer Mentor, working on campus, etc.).



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CAMPUS LIFE

Campus Access

Enrolled students will have normal access to all campus facilities for the fall semester. Some buildings will remain Keycard-only access, so it will be important to have your Student ID with you at all times.

Cleaning Protocols

Students are strongly encouraged to continue clean their rooms regularly, with a special focus on high-touch surfaces such as door knobs, computers, phones, game controllers, remote controls, etc.

In shared bathrooms, personal toiletries should NOT be left out, but instead should be brought into the bathroom when needed and then returned to the student's room. Toothbrushes left out in shared spaces is a primary means of transmitting viruses.

Restrooms in student residence halls will be supplied with EPA-approved products, which students can use in between regular cleanings to avoid the mixing of chemicals and the use of non-EPA approved products.

Dining Services

Hodson Hall and all retail locations will be open for students under normal operations, though some service areas will still be staffed instead of self-serve. They will have some seating reserved for students who wish to maintain social distancing. Carry-out meals will also be an option.

Dining Services will follow the campus-wide masking policy.



VISITOR POLICY

Visitors are permitted on campus again. This includes allowing visits from family members and friends, spectators at sporting events, etc. **All visitors are required to abide by our campus-wide mask policy during their visit, as well as any other protocols.** If any visitor begins experiencing any flu-like symptoms, they should depart campus as soon as possible.



Until further notice, no overnight guests are permitted. This will help to allow students an extra degree of freedom and discretion within their living spaces. An overnight guest is anyone who does not live on campus, so this does apply to off-campus students. We will re-evaluate this policy after the start of the semester.



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TRAVEL POLICY



Domestic Travel

At this time, there are no restrictions on domestic travel during the fall semester. Students are free to come and go from campus as they choose. (Though please remember that classes will be in-person so you can't just pop into a class from anywhere anymore!) We do encourage anyone who travels away from campus to follow CDC guidance, which currently indicates that masks are still required for anyone – regardless of vaccination status -- using public transportation or air travel. You will also want to keep abreast of the COVID situation in the places you plan to visit, as outbreaks or upticks in illness rates may occur.



International Travel

The College will be determining a policy around College-sponsored international travel for the fall and may continue to restrict travel to certain countries depending upon their State Department or CDC Alert Level status. Please make sure you check with the Global Education Office about those College-sponsored programs and whether or not it is approved.

Students participating in personal travel or non-WC-sponsored international travel should exercise caution and research the status of travel from the US to that country and back before making arrangements by checking the [U.S. State Department website](#).

CAMPUS EVENTS, PROGRAMS & MEETINGS

Washington College events can proceed in-person for the fall.

There may be some social distancing or capacity restrictions in select indoor spaces, such as theatres. As such, the size of an event audience may require use of a different space than what has been used in the past, but there are no official limits on how many people can gather in-person.

Student life organizations, clubs, and others are free to resume in-person meetings and study groups, but must abide by the indoor mask requirement. We recommend following an "Outdoor First" approach for meetings, and hold them outdoors when possible. For club and organization meetings, virtual meetings on Zoom are also still a safe option and we recommend considering whether or not you can effectively conduct your meetings on Zoom. This is also a good option for one-on-ones between students and faculty.

Events do still need to be scheduled with Campus Events. For more information on how to reserve and plan an event, please [visit this page](#).



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Capacities

Generally speaking, capacities are back to normal occupancy. This includes classrooms and other academic spaces. As noted in the Events section, select locations such as theaters may require occupancy adjustments, and that may be on a case-by-case basis. Any temporary occupancy changes will be clearly posted outside the affected spaces.

TRANSPORTATION POLICY

SafeRide will operate during the fall 2021 semester.

Transportation Services will also be providing shuttle service to students who plan to reside on campus in the fall, from the following: PHL, BWI and Dulles airports, as well as from New Carrollton Station and the Wilmington Train Station in Delaware. Shuttle service will only be available at the beginning and the end of the semester, and during any breaks. Please contact Transportation@washcoll.edu to make a shuttle reservation or with questions.

The CPG-approved transportation policies are as follows:

- College owned, leased, or contracted vehicles used for official College business may now be used at their normal capacity
- Trip leaders should ensure that they keep accurate records of passengers in the event that contact notification is necessary
- All passengers are required to wear face masks while in Washington College vehicles.
- We encourage trip leaders to check with passengers ahead of the trip to determine if there is anyone who is not comfortable with a full occupancy vehicle and, if so, to consider alternate measures (an additional vehicle to allow for lower occupancy, open windows, etc.). A reminder that those using personal vehicles for official College business are not covered by the College's insurance policy.
- Cleaning and disinfecting supplies will be provided in each vehicle. Upon completion of the trip, the trip leader should ensure that all high-touch surfaces have been cleaned with the provided supplies which are EPA approved. We encourage them to clean before the start of the trip as well.



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OTHER CAMPUS OPERATIONS

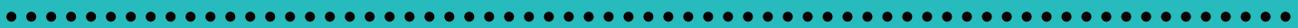
Public Safety

While the Department of Public Safety will be open for in-person visitors, the capacity in the lobby will be limited to no more than three people at one time.

Many of the requests this office handles can easily be accomplished online, and students are encouraged to utilize these tools to make requests so that walk-in traffic remains limited. Here is how common requests can be processed:

- **Vehicle Registration** – go to www.permitsales.net/wc and follow the process
- **Ticket Appeals** – go to www.permitsales.net/wc and follow the process
- **Request a replacement ID** – email the request to student_photos@washcoll.edu and they will have it ready and waiting for you
- **Replace a lost room key** – Speak with your RA and they will help get you a new one.

The Department of Public Safety continues to operate 24/7 and can be reached by phone at 410-778-7810.



Library and Academic Technology

The Miller Library will be open for business in the fall. Reservations for study seats will not be required. Some spaces within the library may have limited capacities – if so, that information will be posted. The Library will follow the campus-wide mask policy.

Any additional requirements or protocols for those visiting the Library will be communicated prior to the start of the semester.



Central Services

Beginning 8/16, the student services window will operate under fall semester hours, which are Mon-Fri 9 AM to 4 PM.



Health Services

Health Services will be open on campus in Queen Anne’s Hall with modified appointment times and procedures to allow for additional cleaning and safety measures. All students entering the Health Center will be required to wear a mask and will be temperature screened. (Cont’d next page)



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Health Services - Cont'd

In order to protect the safety of our campus, there will be no walk-in appointments allowed. Students must call 410-7787261 from 8:30-12:00 or 1:00-4:30 to schedule an appointment and to have a COVID phone screening questionnaire completed. Upon arrival, students will need to enter the glass lobby and call to be let in. After hours, students should contact the Quarantine & Isolation Coordinator on duty if they feel ill or have believe they have been exposed to COVID.

Health Services will be available for other types of well-visit appointments, prescription refills and allergy injections during scheduled times. Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner appointments will also be available.

Sick visit appointments will need to be scheduled. Walk-in appointments are not available for Fall 2021. We will not be able to permit anyone to accompany students during their appointment as we cannot have anyone waiting in our lobby. The exception would be for a minor student to be accompanied by parent or legal guardian. Scheduled telemedicine appointments may be utilized for low risk, non-COVID related concerns such as nutritional counseling, support to help manage chronic conditions, and follow-up visits from the ER.



Counseling Services

Counseling appointments will available to students both in-person and virtually for the fall semester. This includes students who are in quarantine or isolation.

Full details on the Counseling Center's hours of operation and how to schedule a counseling appointment will be communicated directly from the Counseling Services team prior to the start of the fall semester.

Students experiencing a mental health emergency who would like to speak to a counselor can call Counseling Services during weekday hours at 410-778-7261. After hours and on weekends, students should contact Public Safety (410-778-7810) and they will assist with connecting the student to the proper resource.

CONTACT US

If you have additional questions about anything in this document or about guidelines for the Fall 2021 semester, please email: wcresponseteam@washcoll.edu or call us at 410-778-7844.

This document and associated guidelines may be updated throughout the semester and will be posted on the website and communicated to students in other ways including via email and other electronic notices.