Speakers

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Additional safety measures

- Mask wearing, hand washing, and physical distancing
- Extra cleaning of classrooms and high touch surfaces
- Increased online and hybrid course options
- Reducing building density
- Testing, tracing, and quarantine
- Accountability measures
Training and pledge

• All students, faculty, and staff must complete the training and pledge via BuckeyeLearn

In this course, we will cover the following key topics:

- Your Role
- Daily Health Check
- Physical Distancing
- Hygiene
- Personal Protection
- Staying Informed

As a member of the Ohio State Community, I pledge to:

• Follow the university’s physical distancing guidelines;
• Follow the university’s guidelines regarding face masks;
• Follow the university’s recommended hygiene and personal protection practices including washing my hands frequently and staying home when I begin to feel sick;
• Keep my personal space and shared common spaces clean for use by others;
• Stay informed of changing COVID-19 health updates;
• Be supportive and sensitive to other members of the Buckeye community who may be experiencing physical and mental health challenges;
• Complete a daily health check and contact health care providers when I feel ill; and
• Follow all of the additional health and safety requirements of the university, my college, unit, or department. This may include participating in testing, self-quarantining, and contact tracing.
Daily Health Checks

• Required daily when going to campus, compass.osu.edu

Health Reporting Process

1. Take your temperature.

2. Log in to the health reporting tool via compass.osu.edu or the Ohio State app.

3. In the COVID-19 health reporting section, record your temperature and answer other health reporting questions.

4. Receive your daily health passport. This passport is good for entry to all open buildings during the day it was submitted.
   - RED = Stay home
   - GREEN = Clear to come to campus
Getting your PPE kits

• Stations for in-person pickup during the first week of classes, Aug. 24-28 (both Columbus and Wooster). Details will be shared via email and posted online once locations are determined.
• Students should bring a BuckID or other ID to help us track who has gotten their kit
• Kits include 2 reusable cloth face masks, 1 disposable mask, thermometer, sanitizing wipes, hand sanitizer

Columbus: There will be locations around campus: https://safeandhealthy.osu.edu/campus-readiness
Including:
• Agricultural Administration Building, outside the entrance facing the parking lot
  Aug. 24, 26 and 27: 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
• Kottman Hall, front of the building, facing Fyffe Road
  Aug. 25 and 28: 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Wooster: Students can pick up their kits at the Student Activities Center at the following times:
• Monday, August 24 last name will determine the preferred hour of pick-up:
  o  A-H   12-1 pm
  o  I-R   1-2 pm
  o  S-Z   2-3 pm
Tuesday, Aug. 25 – Friday, Aug. 28; 9 am – 5 pm, or Monday, August 31 from 9-5am
What should I do if I have symptoms or exposure to COVID-19?

If positive COVID-19 test results:
- Stay home
  - Don’t go to work
  - Avoid spreading virus to others
- Separate yourself from others
  - Avoid close contact
  - Self-isolate for symptoms
- Notify manager
- Wash your hands often with soap and water or use hand sanitizer
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or sleeve when you sneeze or cough
- Clean and disinfect “high-touch” surfaces
- Return to work only after receiving clearance from Employee Health Services and your local health department

If negative COVID-19 test results:
- Notify manager
- Return to work only if you are fever-free for at least 3 days (72 hours) and see a significant reduction in symptoms.

If positive COVID-19 test results:
- Close and prolonged contact with a person who has COVID-19
- Contact with cough and droplets
  - Unprotected direct contact with infectious secretions or excretions (e.g., being coughed on, touching used tissues with a bare hand)

At-work exposure:
- Employee Health Services will contact you to assess risk level and to determine if you should stop working
  - There is no need for exposed employees that have no symptoms.

At-home exposure:
- If a person in your household has symptoms, contact your primary care provider and COVID-19 Call Center 614-293-4000.
  - The call center is now taking calls for healthcare providers’ families.
- Stay home until household test results are known
- Follow ill call-off procedures
- If household contact has positive COVID-19 test results or a delayed diagnosis by a primary care provider, employee can return to work 14 days from the date the contact has been cleared by the health department (if employee has no symptoms).
- If household contact has negative COVID-19 test results and employee has no symptoms, they can return to work.

If no symptoms, but close and prolonged exposure:
- Keep working
- Self-monitor for symptoms
- Avoid close contact
- Wash your hands often with soap and water or use hand sanitizer
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or sleeve when you sneeze or cough
- Get good sleep
- Eat well-balanced meals
- Disinfect and clean “high-touch” surfaces

If no symptoms, no known exposure:
- Wash your hands often with soap and water or use hand sanitizer
- Avoid close contact
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or sleeve when you sneeze or cough
- Get good sleep
- Eat well-balanced meals
- Disinfect and clean "high-touch" surfaces

Please see the COVID-19 Employee Exposure Guidelines for detailed explanation and special circumstances including:
- Items not compromised and/or exposed.
- Guidance will be updated based on CDC recommendations and/or in the event there is a major issue with staffing and other measures to backfill with other staff have been exhausted. Hospital leadership will make this determination.

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Requesting accommodations

• Standard academic accommodations: Student Life Disability Services (SLDS)

• COVID-related academic accommodations: Student Life Disability Services (SLDS) and Office of Equity and Inclusion (OIE)

• COVID-related work accommodations (including GTA, GRA, GAA duties): University Office of Human Resources (UHR)
You may submit a request for COVID-related accommodations for any of the following reasons:

- I have **tested positive for COVID-19** and am isolating in my residence.
- I am in **quarantine due to COVID-19 exposure, symptom expression or out-of-state travel requirements**.
- I have a **medical condition that puts me at a higher risk of serious illness** from COVID-19, as defined by the CDC (see FAQ for details).
- I have **another high-risk factor**, as defined by the CDC (e.g. age, obesity, pregnancy).
- I **live with or care for someone with a high-risk factor** or medical condition, as defined by the CDC.
- I am **providing care for a child whose school or childcare provider is closed or unavailable** due to COVID-19.
- I have a **medical condition or disability not included in the CDC health factors** that I believe is affected by COVID-19.
Emergency Grants for students

https://sfa.osu.edu/contact-us/consumer-disclosure/COVID-19-aid

COVID-19 financial assistance for students

Ohio State was recently awarded $42.9 million from the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act to help mitigate financial impacts from the COVID-19 pandemic. Of this total, $21.4 million will be used to assist students experiencing financial hardships caused by the pandemic. The university also has set aside a portion of university donor funds to assist with this emergency.

Together As Buckeyes emergency grants program

Ohio State has emergency grants available to aid students who are struggling with living expenses or facing other unexpected financial challenges related to the disruption of campus operations due to this pandemic, including expenses such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care and child care.

Ohio State recognizes the broad impacts of COVID-19 and is making these funds available to undergraduate, graduate and professional students on all Ohio State campuses.

How to apply for a Together As Buckeyes emergency grant

- Fill out, sign and submit the Emergency Request form.
- Upload additional documentation not included with your initial submission to the Secure Document Uploader.
- If you can’t upload your materials, you may fax them to 614-292-9264 or mail them to Buckeye Link, P.O. Box 183029, Columbus OH 43218-3029.
Staying informed

- safeandhealthy.osu.edu
- grad.cfaes.ohio-state.edu
- CFAES website

Online resources

- keeplearning.osu.edu
- keepteaching.osu.edu
- keepworking.osu.edu
Fall Programming

- Activities will be virtual until further notice
- CFAES programming survey forthcoming
- We know it’s weird... but go anyway!
- Check the website for latest events
Self-care

- https://wellness.osu.edu/chief-wellness-officer/covid-19-resources

**COPE with COVID**

- Control the things that you can, not the things you can’t
- Open up and share your feelings
- Practice daily stress reduction tactics, including physical activity
- Engage in mindfulness; be here now; worry will not help!
- Count your blessings daily
- Overturn negative thoughts to positive
- Volunteer to help others
- Identify helpful supports and resources
- Do your part to prevent spread of the virus

- Bern Melnyk
Principles of Community

WE AFFIRM
the inherent dignity and value of every person and strive to maintain a climate for work and learning based on mutual respect and understanding.

WE AFFIRM
the right of each person to express thoughts and opinions freely. We encourage open expression within a climate of civility, sensitivity, and mutual respect.

WE AFFIRM
the value of human diversity because it enriches our lives and the university. We acknowledge and respect our differences while affirming our common humanity.

WE REJECT
all forms of prejudice and discrimination, including those based on age, ancestry, color, disability, gender, gender identity or expression, genetic information, HIV/AIDS status, military status, national origin, pregnancy, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or protected veteran status. We take individual and collective responsibility for helping to eliminate bias and discrimination and for increasing our own understanding of these issues through education, training, and interaction with others.

WE PLEDGE
our collective commitment to these principles in the spirit of the CFAES mission: We sustain life.

For CFAES diversity, equity, and inclusion events and workshops, visit: equityandinclusion.cfaes.ohio-state.edu
Q&A

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