

## COVID Protocols as of January 11, 2022

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### **If you tested Positive:**

- Isolate at home for at least 5 days (from the onset of COVID-19 symptoms or from the date of test for asymptomatic positive individuals).
- You can leave isolation after 5 days if you have no fever for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medication) and no other symptoms (or your symptoms are generally resolving).
- Continue to wear a well-fitted mask for 5 additional days when indoors near others (within six feet, especially indoors) to minimize the risk of spreading the virus to others. This masking is required to exit physical isolation after day 5.
- We highly recommend getting tested on the 5th day for determining your viral load. If test results show you are recovered, then isolation can be ended as determined by the COVID team.

### **If you are Symptomatic:**

- Contact the COVID hotline at 740-283-4500 and you will be directed to complete an intake form on MyFranciscan, or walk-in to get tested in front of SS. Cosmas and Damian building, in the COVID tent.
- If you tested outside of Franciscan University, please contact the FUS COVID team with your results at 740-232-9734.
- Isolate at home for at least 5 days (from the onset of COVID-19 symptoms or from the date of test for asymptomatic positive individuals).
- You can leave isolation after 5 days if you have no fever for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medication) and no other symptoms (or your symptoms are generally resolving).
- Continue to wear a well-fitted mask for 5 additional days when indoors near others (within six feet, especially indoors). This masking requirement is required to exit physical isolation after day 5.
- We highly recommend getting tested on the 5th day for determining your viral load. If test results show you are recovered, then isolation can be ended as determined by the COVID team.

### **If you have been exposed:**

- Wear a well-fitting mask at all times when around others for 10 days after exposure unless you get tested on the 5th day.
- We highly recommend getting tested for SARS-CoV-2 at day 5 after exposure. If the day-5 PCR test is negative and still asymptomatic, you will no longer be expected to wear a mask.
- If your day-5 PCR test is positive, you are required to isolate, as described above under “the tested positive guidance”.
- If symptoms occur, individuals should immediately quarantine until a negative test confirms symptoms are not attributable to COVID-19.

### **COVID Testing Schedule**

COVID testing will be available this week on Tuesday, January 11 and Thursday, January 13 from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.. Daily weekday testing will resume on Monday, January 17. Testing takes place at the tent near the main entrance of SS. Cosmas and Damian Hall. Questions regarding COVID testing may be

directed to 740-232-9734 (voice or text). Our focus is symptomatic testing and if someone needs testing for other purposes, please contact the COVID lab at the same phone number.

**COVID-19 Emergency Paid Leave**

Whatever remains of the ten COVID days made available to employees at the start of the fall semester will continue to be available for employees to use during the spring semester. However, if you are able during COVID isolation or quarantine, we recommend that you consider the option of working from home. Please obtain your supervisor's approval. It is expected that sick time will be used if COVID days have been expended. Exceptional circumstances will be considered on a case-by-case basis.