

Health and Safety Plan

(COVID-19)

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I. Introduction

The purpose of this document is to offer specific recommendations regarding mitigation measures employed at FAU to limit the spread of COVID-19 in our FAU community.

This plan is subject to change and will be updated and communicated based on the latest available information from health authorities and FAU administration.

II. Public Health Policy

In accordance with University [Policy 4.1.2. Environmental Health & Safety](#), public health policy is established by the Public Health Office within the Office of Environmental Health & Safety (EHS). The management of public health for COVID-19 is based on the most current guidance from the CDC, FLDOH, and other regulatory authorities.

III. Definitions

Close Contact: Being within approximately 6 feet of a COVID-19 case for a prolonged period of time (15 minutes or more). Note that the 15-minute period identified by the CDC is a cumulative time of all close interactions per day. Avoid all interactions inside the 6-foot range.

Isolation - Separates sick people with a contagious disease from people who are not sick for a period of time until they are medically cleared to return to the general population. Isolation is necessary for confirmed and presumptive cases of COVID-19.

Public Activities: For the purposes of this document, the term public activities include any activities on campus that take place around others or could potentially bring someone in contact with others.

Quarantine: Separates and restricts the movement of people who were exposed to a contagious disease to see if they become sick. Quarantine is necessary for those with close contact to COVID+ cases and other instances as advised by the CDC.

IV. Standard Protective Measures

Get Vaccinated

FAU encourages all members of the community to obtain full vaccination if they have not already done so.

Stay Home If Sick (Regardless of Vaccination Status)

- Do not go to work or school if you are sick
- Contact Student Health Services immediately and follow their instructions.

Cooperate Fully with Testing and Contact Tracing

- Provide full information to the Department of Health when asked.
- Follow instructions when notified.

V. Vaccinations

All members of the FAU community are strongly urged to become fully vaccinated, and keep vaccinations up-to-date based on CDC guidance, to reduce impacts to academic and work schedules.

For more information on vaccine availability in your area, go to the Florida Department of Health vaccine locator page [here](#).

VI. Face Coverings

All members of the FAU community are encouraged to follow the latest CDC guidance regarding the use of face coverings.

VII. COVID Testing and Contact Tracing

COVID-19 Testing

COVID-19 testing is widely available in the communities surrounding FAU campuses. For more information on testing availability in your area, go to the Florida Department of Health testing locator website [here](#).

COVID-19 Contact Tracing

Contact tracing will be conducted by the Florida Department of Health for the resident county.

VIII. COVID-19 Management

Students:

For more information on how a student should manage a positive test, symptoms, or exposure associated with COVID-19, go to the Student Health Services webpage [here](#).

Staff and Faculty:

For more information on how faculty and staff should manage a positive test, symptoms, or exposure associated with COVID-19, go to the Human Resources webpage [here](#).

FAU Community:

Students, faculty, and staff are strongly encouraged to follow the latest CDC guidance regarding the management of SARS-CoV-2 and COVID-19.

The Quick Guide to CDC COVID-19 Exposure and Symptoms Protocols outlines the latest CDC recommendations regarding managing a positive test, symptoms, or an exposure to a positive case of COVID-19.

Faculty and supervisors have the authority to send a person home if they report to class or work with symptoms of illness consistent with COVID-19.