

BREVARD COLLEGE

BREVARD, NORTH CAROLINA

All students are required to review and agree to the following agreement in the spring regarding personal and public health practices, social events, and what to do if you experience symptoms of COVID-19. On the de-densified campus, the residential cohort is required to continue upholding the Student Health Agreement. Violations will be addressed and may result in a student being sent home and will not be permitted to continue the remainder of the semester remotely. The student will be required to withdraw without a refund.

Overview

The COVID -19 virus is a significant health challenge and it is impossible to know who will develop significant and life-threatening symptoms and who will not. All of us will need to work together to keep our selves and the entire community safe.

We know how much you value being part of this special community, and how seriously you and everyone takes their responsibilities to each other. This year, those responsibilities have particular importance. Our actions can help prevent a friend, a faculty member, or another member of the community from exposure to the virus. Individual behavior and choices play a significant role in slowing and stopping the spread of COVID-19. Physical distancing, use of face coverings, and good hygiene are critical.

By contrast, if we do not follow the rules outlined below, the transmission of the disease to another person is far more likely.

ALL students must agree to follow a set of expectations to minimize the spread of COVID-19. These standards were recommended by medical and public health professionals and meet or exceed federal and state guidelines. All students who plan to return to campus for instruction must commit to the expectations below. Please discuss these agreements and the rationale for them with your parents or guardians before signing.

Personal Care

- I agree to sanitize my hands with soap and water or hand sanitizer thoroughly and frequently throughout the day.
- I agree to maintain a physical distance of six feet from other people in communal spaces on campus.

Masking and Distancing On Campus: I will wear a face covering that covers my nose and mouth when on campus, except when in my residence hall room with assigned roommates, in residence hall bathrooms, when exercising outdoors, or when eating.

Guests: I will not host students as guests in my residential space without everyone wearing a mask and maintaining social distancing. I will not attend, as a guest, any gathering in a residential space where I am not wearing a mask and maintaining a six foot distance

Symptoms Monitoring: I agree that I will monitor myself daily for symptoms of COVID-19 including temperature. I agree to contact covid19@brevard.edu if I have COVID-19 symptoms.

- I will honestly answer the questions on the BC Radar Symptoms Checker and I will follow all instructions on the app.
- I will check my temperature daily before going to class or participating in any campus activity.
- If I am not feeling well, I will not attend class and will contact covid19@brevard.edu immediately.
- I agree to clean my room regularly and disinfect surfaces that may carry the virus.
- I agree to obtain a seasonal flu shot from a provider at home before returning to campus.

Travel: I agree to restrict my travel to essential trips only and to register travel as required. To mitigate any spread of the virus, the College strongly discourages students from traveling beyond the immediate Brevard area. Exceptions include travel for healthcare, employment, and emergency situations. With the exception of students approved to commute, students who travel will be required to register their travel with the campus life. Students employed off campus must register their place of employment. Students traveling home for weekends must ask parents to send an email to covid19@brevard.edu to confirm trip home.

Quarantine, Isolation, Testing, and Contact Tracing

Contact Tracing: Contact tracing is a vital technique to detect and isolate COVID-19 cases. It is the identification of people who may have been exposed to the virus. It is critical that students respond

accurately to any questions asked in regards to potential contacts to contain the virus on campus.

Understanding the importance of contact tracing, I agree to respond quickly and accurately to any contact tracing requests that I receive in order to protect the health and safety of other community members

Quarantine and Isolation: Quarantine and isolation are important mitigation efforts that can help reduce the spread of COVID-19. Both terms refer to separating someone from the rest of the community for a time because that person may have been infected with the virus (quarantine) or has symptoms of COVID-19 and/or has a positive COVID-19 test (isolation).

- I agree to isolate if I test positive or have symptoms for COVID-19, as instructed by the College's Health Services until released by the Health Center.
- I agree to quarantine for 7-10 days if I am identified as a contact of anyone who has been determined to be positive for COVID-19.
- I agree to quarantine if I have been tested for COVID-19 and am awaiting results of that test.

Testing: Aggressive testing is important to catch asymptomatic cases as quickly as possible.

- I agree to get a COVID-19 test 3-5 days before returning to campus and share the results with campus life.
- If possible, I agree to self- quarantine at home after I receive my COVID-19 test until I receive the results and return to campus.
- I understand the College will engage in ongoing testing throughout the semester in order to contain the spread of the virus. The testing will include students who are symptomatic, students from higher risk groups, and some students selected at random. I understand the College may call me in for testing at any time and I agree to be tested weekly.

Social Events

- I agree I will not host off-campus guests, including students studying remotely, in my residence.
- I understand that, across the country, social gatherings with alcohol at bars and parties, especially indoors, have been a major contributor to the spread of the COVID-19 virus. With this in mind, I agree not to attend or host social events with or without alcohol of more than 6 people or any social event where six foot distancing cannot be maintained, either on campus or off campus.

Evolving Conditions

Recognizing that the COVID-19 situation evolves rapidly, the College may have to adjust guidelines quickly. Updates will be e-mailed directly to all students if there is a significant change in protocols.

Violation of the COVID-19 Community Health Agreement

Compliance with these expectations is **non-negotiable**. Students who have concerns about adhering to the expectations above should not plan to return to campus for the spring.

- I understand that as a consequence of failing to uphold these standards, I may be subject to disciplinary procedures, including being asked to leave campus immediately. I understand I will not be given the opportunity to complete my courses remotely.
- I understand that students who host a social event with alcohol in violation of these principles are subject to immediate removal and restriction from campus.
- Social events with alcohol hosted at off campus locations will be considered the joint responsibility of each student living at that address. If a student living off campus does not wish to share that responsibility, the student should contact the Office of Residence Life for a housing reassignment on campus.
- Organizations or groups that do not follow the social events provisions may be suspended from the campus community.