



Temple College Covid-19 Campus Safety and Academics Guide

Temple College is excited to resume full services and activities this fall. As we welcome students back to campus, we have two priorities that guide all of our planning and preparation:

- Providing a safe environment for all of our students and employees
- And continuing to provide the quality, affordable education our students and communities expect from Temple College.

CAMPUS HEALTH AND SAFETY

COVID-19 Vaccine: Temple College encourages all students and faculty to receive the vaccine. However, we do not require students or employees to take the vaccine or show proof of vaccination status.

Face Masks: Temple College encourages but does not require face masks or coverings on campus. Additionally, we promote an open, inclusive environment where the decision whether or not to wear a mask is personal and should not invite discourse.

Campus Spaces: Disinfectant wipes and hand sanitizer stations are available for use throughout all Temple College campuses. Students and employees are welcome to bring hand sanitizer to campus.

Social Distancing: According to CDC Guidelines, fully vaccinated individuals can resume activities without physical distancing. Temple College classrooms and public spaces will operate at normal capacity. Individuals may *choose* to physically distance and are encouraged to wear masks if the space does not allow for distancing, group interactions, or if one feels uncomfortable.

Screening: All faculty, staff, students and visitors will self-screen for signs and symptoms of COVID-19 before entering campus buildings. Anyone who has new, unexpected, or worsening signs or symptoms (outlined in the following section) should not come to campus and should notify their instructor or supervisor to determine return status. Faculty may require students to complete designated symptoms of COVID-19 via the Campus Clear application before entering classrooms or labs.

SYMPTOM PROTOCOL:

Anyone who has any of the following new, unexpected, or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19 should not come to campus and will be sent home and follow the appropriate protocol below:

- Temperature above or equal to 100.0 degrees F



- Feeling feverish (such as chills, sweating)
- New Cough
- Unusual Fatigue
- Shortness of breath
- Mild or moderate difficulty breathing (breathing slightly faster than normal, feeling like you can't inhale or exhale, or wheezing, especially during exhaling or breathing out)
- Congestion or runny nose
- Muscle aches or body aches
- Headache
- Sore throat
- New loss of taste or smell
- Nausea or Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Known close contact with a person who has been lab confirmed within the past 14 days to have COVID-19

FULLY VACCINATED INDIVIDUALS, ISOLATION, QUARANTINE, & TESTING

Any fully vaccinated person who experiences symptoms consistent with COVID-19 should isolate themselves from others, be clinically evaluated for COVID-19, and tested for SARS-CoV-2 if indicated. The symptomatic fully vaccinated person should inform their healthcare provider of their vaccination status at the time of presentation to care and isolate for 10 days.

EXPOSURE PROTOCOL FULLY VACCINATED INDIVIDUALS

Fully vaccinated faculty, staff member, student, or campus visitor with no COVID-like symptoms do not need to quarantine, or be restricted from work. However, they should still monitor for symptoms of COVID-19 for 14 days following an exposure and be get tested 3-5 days after exposure. During this time, exposed individuals should wear a mask for 14 days or until having a negative test.

If they experience symptoms they should isolate themselves for 10 days, be clinically evaluated for COVID-19, including SARS-CoV-2 testing, if indicated.

EXPOSURE PROTOCOL NON-VACCINATED INDIVIDUALS:

If a faculty member, staff member, student, or campus visitor begins to show any symptoms as listed under General Protocol at the top of this page while in class or on the campus, Temple College will coordinate with local health officials to determine the appropriate response.



Any individual with new or worsening symptoms will not be allowed to return to campus buildings until:

- At least 1 day (24 hours) has passed since recovery (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and,
- The individual has improvement in symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and,
- At least 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared.

Any individual who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to campus until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or

Individuals with symptoms that could be COVID-19, who have not been tested for COVID-19 and want to return to campus *before completing the above self-isolation period*, must obtain a medical professional's note clearing the individual for return based on an alternative diagnosis

Any individual with known close contact to a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19 cannot return to the campus buildings until the end of the 14-day self-quarantine period from the last date of exposure.

CONFIRMED POSITIVE COVID-19 & RETURN CRITERIA

Individuals who have a confirmed positive COVID-19 test and have returned to campus must notify Temple College immediately by contacting their instructor or supervisor who will work with the Human Resources department to determine follow-up and return requirements.

Individuals who test positive for COVID-19 may return to Temple College in accordance with the CDC guidelines from Discontinuation of Isolation for Persons with COVID-19 Not in Healthcare Settings – Ending Home Isolation:

Confirmed positive individuals with symptoms: Individual may return to campus following the three criteria listed above in the Exposure Protocol. For patients with severe illness, duration of isolation for up to 20 days after symptom onset may be warranted. Consider consultation with infection control experts.

Confirmed positive individuals who never develop symptoms: isolation and other precautions can be discontinued 14 days after the date of their first positive test.

Confirmed positive individuals with subsequent exposure:

For persons previously diagnosed with symptomatic COVID-19 who remain asymptomatic after recovery, retesting is not recommended within 3 months after



the date of symptom onset for the initial COVID-19 infection. In addition, quarantine is not recommended in the event of close contact with an infected person.

For persons who develop new symptoms consistent with COVID-19 during the 3 months after the date of initial symptom onset, if an alternative etiology cannot be identified by a provider, then the person may warrant retesting; consultation with infectious disease or infection control experts is recommended. Isolation may be considered during this evaluation based on consultation with an infection control expert, especially in the event symptoms develop within 14 days after close contact with an infected person.

When a confirmed case has been on campus, regardless of community transmission, the college will follow the CDC guidelines and coordinate with local health officials to determine reporting requirements.

Reporting Liaison for Temple College is Brandon Bozon, Vice President, Administrative Services & CFO at Brandon.Bozon@templejc.edu

ACADEMICS

Temple College is offering multiple course formats as we resume full campus operations. Students will have the option of enrolling in face-to-face, online, and blended courses and student activities and events will resume across all campuses at normal capacity.

Classroom Procedures and General Policies

Students must inform faculty immediately after they are notified that they cannot come on campus so that COVID accommodations can be granted. Faculty members will make every effort to fulfill the student's request within 24 hours.

Remote Learning Components

If a class has a remote component, such as Zoom, the space occupied by the student becomes an extension of the classroom. Therefore, expectations for student behavior in the remote classroom remain the same as those for the physical classroom. Students must be attentive and in a distraction-free and appropriate environment for learning. Students should please dress as if on campus, be mindful of surroundings, and be respectful of colleagues and faculty. Students should ***not drive while in a remote online class session.***

While attending class in a remote capacity, students are encouraged to keep their cameras on during the entirety of the class time.

*All classes may be recorded for future academic use.



All final exams, quizzes, and assessments may be administered online. The instructor will determine if quizzes or exams will be held in person or if it will be carried out in a proctored environment.