Daytona State College

COVID-19 Protocol for Outside Groups

The College is currently at Yellow Level for masking.

Each of the following guidelines are based on current CDC recommendations. Guidelines may be adjusted as additional CDC recommendations are released.

Purpose: In response to current pandemic conditions, Daytona State College (DSC) is implementing certain protocols to allow outside groups to access and use space on DSC's campuses. The following protocols/procedures seek to implement commonsense, research-based procedures.

These procedures are consistent with CDC guidelines on how to protect yourself and others. https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html

Scope: These protocols apply to all outside groups utilizing campus facilities for any activity.

Procedures:

- Daytona State College is taking the following tiered approach to masking:
  - **Red Level**: masks are expected in all indoor areas and at least 3' of physical distance should be maintained whenever possible.
  - **Orange Level**: Masks are recommended in all indoor areas and at least 3' of physical distance should be maintained
  - **Yellow Level**: Masks are optional and at least 3' of physical distance should be maintained whenever possible.
- The CDC continues to recommend vaccination as the best protection against COVID-19.
- Social distancing procedures are not currently in place.
- Frequent handwashing is recommended.
- All common surfaces will be regularly disinfected throughout the day, especially after and in-between classes by faculty and students utilizing that space. This includes desktops, computer stations and accessories, light switches, chairs, doorknobs, entry points, etc. Neutra-Dis is a one-step disinfectant, sanitizer, virucide, and cleaner that is on the list of EPA approved disinfectants for SARS-CoV-2 (the cause of COVID-19). Neutra-Dis will be supplied in all classroom and lab spaces in a standard spray bottle. To properly use, spray the surface that needs to be cleaned and sanitized, let stand for 10 minutes, then wipe clean.
- Other restrictions may apply depending on the nature of the event.
- Any individuals that are **showing signs or symptoms of illness or have tested positive for COVID-19** must follow current CDC guidelines must follow current CDC guidelines and self-identify, inform the campus contact for your group, and stop coming to campus immediately.
- Individuals may return to campus when:
  - They have had no fever (100.4°F or greater) for at least 24 hours (that is one full day of no fever without the use of fever-reducing medications)

AND
- o Other symptoms have improved (for example, when a cough or shortness of breath have improved)
  AND
- o At least 5 days have passed since symptoms first appeared, unless otherwise directed by a healthcare provider (see reference E. below).
  OR
- o For individuals with a positive COVID-19 test but are asymptomatic, at least 5 days have passed since the date of their first positive COVID-19 diagnostic test, assuming they have not subsequently developed symptoms since their positive test. If they develop symptoms, then the symptom-based should be used (see reference G. below).
- o In either situation, it is recommended that a mask is worn for 5 additional days for a total of 10 days (https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2021/s1227-isolation-quarantine-guidance.html).

- Individuals who have symptoms similar to those associated with COVID-19 who are not close contacts with any person who has a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19 (defined below) may also wish to receive a diagnostic test for COVID-19 (Polymerase Chain Reaction/PCR test or Rapid Antigen Test). If the diagnostic test result is negative, and they have not been a close contact with any person who has a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19, and all symptoms have resolved including no fever for 24 hours without the use of a fever reducing medication, they may return to campus after communicating with Student Development and receiving clearance (unless otherwise directed by a healthcare provider).

- If an individual comes into **close contact** with someone who has a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19, the campus contact must be notified immediately, and information provided to the college. A close contact as defined by the CDC is any individual who was within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes (cumulative over a 24-hour period), provided care at home to someone who was sick with COVID-19, had direct physical contact (hugged or kissed) someone with COVID-19, shared eating or drinking utensils, or was sneezed on, coughed on, or got respiratory droplets on them from someone with COVID-19 (https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/quarantine.html), "irrespective of whether the person with COVID-19 or the contact was wearing a mask" (https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/public-health-recommendations.html), starting from 2 days prior to illness onset or a positive test. Per CDC guidelines, the following options are utilized for ending quarantine after close contact:

- If you have received a booster, or have completed the primary series of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine within the last 6 months, or have completed the primary series of the J&J vaccine within the last 2 months:
  - o Wear a mask around others for 10 days and monitor your symptoms.
  - o Test on day 5, if possible. If symptoms occur or you subsequently test positive, follow the guidance for symptom based or test based procedures.

- If you completed the primary series of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine over 6 months ago and are not boosted, or you have completed the primary series of the J&J vaccine over 2 months ago and are not boosted, or are unvaccinated:
  - o Quarantine for 5 days and continue to wear a mask for 5 additional days.
  - o Test on day 5 if possible. If symptoms occur or you subsequently test positive, follow the guidance for symptom based or test based procedures (https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2021/s1227-isolation-quarantine-guidance.html).

- If individuals refuse to comply with any of these procedures, the campus contact may ask the individual to leave, or Campus Safety may be notified.

References:

A. Center for Disease Control and Prevention: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html

B. CDC guidelines for homemade mask: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/DIY-cloth-face-covering-instructions.pdf

C. U.S. Surgeon General guidelines for homemade mask: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/cloth-face-cover.html

D. CDC Symptom-Based Strategy to Discontinue Isolation for Persons with COVID-19: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/strategy-discontinue-isolation.html

E. "For most persons with COVID-19 illness, isolation and precautions can generally be discontinued 10 days *after symptom onset*[1] and resolution of fever for at least 24 hours, without the use of fever-reducing medications, and with improvement of other symptoms." https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/strategy-discontinue-isolation.html

F. Test for Past Infection (Antibody Test): https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/testing/serology-overview.html ; Test for Current Infection: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/testing/diagnostic-testing.html

G. "Note, because symptoms cannot be used to gauge where these individuals are in the course of their illness, it is possible that the duration of viral shedding could be longer or shorter than 10 days after their first positive test." https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/disposition-in-home-patients.html

H. Contact Tracing: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/case-investigation-contact-tracing.pdf

I. Incubation Period: "The incubation period for COVID-19 is thought to extend to 14 days, with a median time of 4-5 days from exposure to symptoms onset. One study reported that 97.5% of persons with COVID-19 who develop symptoms will do so within 11.5 days of SARS-CoV-2 infection." https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/clinical-guidance-management-patients.html