



Testing No Longer Required for Unvaccinated North Parkers

Illinois Gov. J. B. Pritzker has **rescinded** [the state's vaccination and testing requirement](#) for institutions of higher education.

Accordingly, **SHIELD testing in Hamming Hall will be discontinued on campus after 2:00 pm. today.** Weekly testing is no longer required for unvaccinated North Park students and employees. This is effective immediately.

However, rapid tests will continue to be available on campus through Health Services (email: covidcare@northpark.edu) and we will make PCR tests available as needed.

People who have Covid-19 symptoms or have been exposed should seek out a test and notify Covid Care at covidcare@northpark.edu. (See NPU's full Isolation & Quarantine Protocol for Students & Employees.)

North Park remains mask optional and "mask friendly." Many North Parkers will continue to wear masks for a variety of reasons. North Park strongly encourages people who have symptoms or who are not up-to-date on their Covid-19 vaccinations to wear masks indoors. People who are immunocompromised or have a family member who is immunocompromised are advised to wear masks indoors. And many North Parkers may simply choose to wear masks to protect themselves and others.

We will remain alert to changing circumstances and adjust wellness protocols as appropriate.

You can always monitor the campus alert level and the number of confirmed positive cases on campus on our summer [Pandemic Response Planning Page](#).

Thank you,

The Pandemic Response Team