

Pandemic Wellness Protocols for the 2023-2024 Academic Year

Greetings, North Parkers!

We write today to share North Park's updated wellness protocols for the 2023- 2024 school year. North Park University will monitor any changing circumstances and will adjust these procedures as necessary to protect the health and safety of our community and to ensure the educational progress of our students.

Reporting: Reporting of COVID-19 cases by all North Park students, faculty, and staff will no longer be mandatory. However, we do encourage you to continue reporting your positive cases, if you want to report your case, please contact healthservices@northpark.edu

Campus Dashboard: North Park's Campus COVID-19 Dashboard will no longer be updated or active.

Testing on Campus North Park University will continue to provide rapid antigen testing at the Health Service Office, testing will be for individuals who are symptomatic or were exposed. Please contact healthservices@northpark.edu to set up a time to be tested or students can log onto northpark.studenthealthportal.com to set up an appointment. Rapid antigen is free of charge to North Park community members.

Contact Tracing: North Park University will discontinue formal contact tracing. However, community members who test positive for COVID-19 are encouraged to notify everyone they have been in close contact with starting two days before their symptoms began, or two days before their positive test if they have no symptoms.

Notification to Professors: Health Services will use EARS to notify professors and Student Engagement staff of students who have reported their positive COVID-19 case.

Quarantine: North Park will no longer require exposed community members to quarantine.

Isolation for Residential Students: Students are encouraged to isolate off campus or to isolate in place. Effective Spring 2024 North Park University will not provide isolation units for COVID-19 positive cases. Please contact healthservices@northpark.edu if you have any questions.

Isolation: Anyone who tests positive for COVID-19 must remain in isolation for at least five days. North Park highly recommends but will no longer require a negative rapid antigen test for people without symptoms to exit isolation after five days. However, anyone who does test positive after five days should complete a 10-day isolation.

Masking: Masking is no longer required at North Park; the only exception is if you are going to Health Services and are feeling ill you must wear a mask to the office.

Submitting Vaccination Status to North Park: North Park strongly encourages students and employees to submit COVID-19 vaccine records to the University, but it is not a requirement.

Thank you for your faithful observance of our wellness protocols!