

FAQ Guidance for Faculty for positive cases in the classroom

What do I do if a student emails me and says they have COVID-19 symptoms?

- ✓ Advise the student to seek guidance from their medical provider, such as Student Health.
- ✓ Student Health will give them a free test if medically indicated.
- ✓ Encourage the student to communicate with you on their absences, consistent with your attendance policy.

What do I do if a student informs me that they have tested positive for COVID-19?

- ✓ Tell the student that they should follow guidance from their medical provider. UNK asks that individuals who test positive avoid all contact with other people for five days, and then wear a mask when around people for another five days.
- ✓ Student Health does not verify COVID tests performed by other clinics.

What if I have a student that informs me that they must be in quarantine due to exposure?

- ✓ UNK is no longer requiring quarantine.
- ✓ Refer the student to your attendance policy.

What should I do if I develop symptoms?

- ✓ Seek guidance from your health provider.
- ✓ Contact your department chair for next steps.
- ✓ Contact Student Health to schedule a COVID test.

Can I get tested at the Student Health Center on Campus and is there a charge?

- ✓ Yes. Student Health provides COVID-19 testing as medically indicated.
- ✓ There is no charge except under certain circumstances. Student Health can review your options for testing.

What do I do if I test positive for COVID-19? How should I tell my class?

- ✓ There is no expectation you disclose personal health information to your class. If you test positive, contact your Department Chair.
- ✓ Stay home for 5 days, returning on day 6. You must be fever free for 24 hours (without fever reducing medications) to return to campus. It is recommended you wear a mask until day 10.

What has changed since last year as it relates to quarantine and isolation?

- ✓ Students, Staff and Faculty no longer need to report symptoms or a positive case to the Public Health Center (PHC).
- ✓ Students, Staff and Faculty no longer need to quarantine if they have been exposed. Mask use is recommended if you have been exposed or develop symptoms.
- ✓ Students, staff, or faculty who test positive for COVID-19 should stay at home for 5 days, returning on day 6. An individual must be fever free for 24 hours (without fever reducing medication) to return to campus, however, a medical clearance from the PHC is no longer needed. Mask use is recommended on campus until day 10.
- ✓ Masks cannot be required in class, however, faculty may require a student to wear a mask in close quarters, such as a personal office.

How do I get vaccinated and or boosted?

- ✓ Student Health will be providing vaccinations and boosters for students, staff, and faculty. Contact Student Health for more information at 308-865-8218 or unkhealth@unk.edu.