COVID-19 Resource Guide for Students

Where can I get tested?
⇒ Testing is available daily at multiple locations on campus and varies by week. Please visit coronavirus.kennesaw.edu for current testing options.

What do I do if I test positive for COVID-19?
⇒ If you tested positive at one of the KSU Student Health Clinics, you will be contacted by the KSU COVID Response team. If you had your test somewhere other than KSU Student Health Clinics, please report your positive case to KSU through the self-reporting form at coronavirus.kennesaw.edu, the LiveSafe App or by calling the Help-line at 470.578.6644, Option 1.
⇒ Students who test positive for COVID-19 will be directed to self-isolate away from campus. Students should not report to in-person class and should remain away from campus for the entire isolation period. For more information about CDC guidelines for individuals who test positive for COVID-19, see below or click here.

What do I do if I don’t feel well?
⇒ Students should self-monitor for symptoms prior to coming to campus each day. Anyone with a fever of 100.4 or higher, or with any of the symptoms below should NOT come to campus but instead should contact the COVID Health Hotline at 470-578-6644, Option 1 for further direction.
Will my professors be notified if I am directed to Self-Isolate as a result of a positive COVID-19 test?

⇒ When a student reports to KSU that they have tested positive for COVID-19 or receives a positive test at the Student Health Clinic, they are directed to self-isolate and their faculty members are notified.
⇒ Notification will be sent to any faculty member who is the instructor of record for any face-to-face or hybrid class, informing them the student is in self-isolation and providing the end date when the student is able to report to campus again.
⇒ We will not notify professors of any online courses. However, please contact Student Health Services or your medical provider if your illness is severe enough that you cannot participate in on-line learning.

What if I am identified as a close contact by someone and have to self-quarantine?

⇒ The Department of Public Health defines close contact as:
  o Living in the same household as a sick person with COVID-19;
  o Caring for a sick person with COVID-19;
  o Being within 6 feet of a sick person with COVID-19 for 15 or more minutes; OR
  o Being in direct contact with secretions from a sick person with COVID-19 (e.g., being coughed on, kissing, sharing utensils, etc.)
⇒ If you are named as a “close contact” or a confirmed “high risk exposure”, you should monitor your health for fever, cough and shortness of breath during the 14 days after the last day of close contact with the sick person with COVID-19.
⇒ While the CDC still recommends 14 days of quarantine for a person who has been identified as a close contact with a person who tested positive for COVID-19, the following options to shorten quarantine are acceptable alternatives:
  
⇒ Cough
⇒ Runny nose or new sinus congestion
⇒ Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
⇒ Chills
⇒ Muscle aches
⇒ Headache
⇒ Sore Throat
⇒ Fatigue
⇒ New Gastrointestinal symptoms
⇒ New loss of taste and/or smell
- Quarantine can end after Day 10 without testing and if no symptoms have been reported during daily monitoring.
- When diagnostic testing resources are sufficient and available, then quarantine can end after Day 7 if a diagnostic specimen tests negative and if no symptoms were reported during daily monitoring. The specimen may be collected and tested within 48 hours before the time of planned quarantine discontinuation (e.g., in anticipation of testing delays), but quarantine cannot be discontinued earlier than after Day 7.

⇒ If you are identified as a close contact to another KSU student, faculty or staff member that has tested positive for COVID-19, KSU will direct you to quarantine and provide you a letter that you can then provide to your face-to-face faculty members (and supervisor if you are a student assistant). The letter will be sent to your KSU email address (in addition to a text alert).

⇒ If you are identified as a close contact to an individual with no association to KSU you may be asked by your professor to provide documentation from the Department of Public Health or a medical professional. KSU will not be able to provide documentation in these instances.

⇒ You should not report to in-person class or other public places for the entire quarantine period (even if you receive a negative test result prior to the end date of the quarantine). If you live on-campus, you will be asked to quarantine off of campus to reduce potential exposure to other residential students. For more information about CDC guidelines for individuals who are identified as high-risk exposures/close contacts, see below or click here.

⇒ The CDC and Department of Public Health recommends waiting 10 days following exposure before taking a COVID-19 test, unless symptoms develop prior to the 10-day period ending.

⇒ Students who come to campus before their quarantine end-date jeopardize the health of others will be asked to leave class. They will be reported to the Dean of Students and are subject to campus disciplinary action. They will also be reported to the Department of Public Health.

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**Students Returning After Testing Positive for COVID-19**

⇒ Students with a confirmed case of COVID-19 will be required to self-isolate and may return to class/normal activities based on the below guidance from the CDC and the Department of Public Health:

- Persons who have had COVID-19 symptoms and tested positive may discontinue isolation when **all** the following conditions are met:
  - At least 10 (ten) days have passed since symptoms first appeared **AND**
  - At least 24 hours have passed since last fever without the use of fever-reducing medications **AND**
Symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath) have improved

⇒ Persons who have **NOT** had COVID-19 symptoms but tested positive and are under isolation may discontinue isolation when the following conditions are met:
  • At least 10 (ten) days have passed since the date of the first positive COVID-19 diagnostic test assuming they have **NOT** subsequently developed symptoms since their positive test.

⇒ Students who come to campus before their self-isolation end-date jeopardize the health of others and will be asked to leave class. They will be reported to the Dean of Students and are subject to campus disciplinary action. They will also be reported to the Department of Public Health.