

### COVID-19 Fall 2021 Protocols

Effective August 6, 2021

## **Physical Distancing:**

All classrooms, Burgess Auditorium, Toland Worship Center, etc. will return to normal capacities. Attendance at athletics events will no longer be limited unless we received further directives from the AMC (our athletic conference) or NAIA.

# **The Wearing of Masks:**

- As of now, masks are optional campus-wide, with the exception of the Student Health Clinic.
- Live chapel will resume on Wednesday, August 25. A "mask only" section will be available.
- We encourage those who have not received the COVID-19 vaccine, or those experiencing cold symptoms or other respiratory issues, to wear a mask.
- Faculty have the option to require students to wear a mask while in their classes.
- Disposable masks are provided free of charge in the Office of Student Services.

# **Disinfecting Procedures:**

We will continue to provide disinfecting throughout the campus. Hand sanitizing stations are provided throughout the campus. Proper hand washing is one of the best ways to prevent the spread of the virus.

#### **Self-Screening:**

Employees and students are expected to self-screen daily <u>before</u> they report to campus, by reviewing the list of "symptoms consistent with COVID-19" found here:

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html

#### **COVID-19 Testing:**

If you experience any of the symptoms of COVID-19, stay in your room or at home, and call the CBC Student Health Clinic at 501-205-8820 or Chris Mitchell at 501-205-8919. You will be directed where and when to go for COVID-19 testing.

### **COVID-19 Vaccines:**

 Whether or not you receive the COVID-19 vaccine is a personal health decision. Therefore, employees and students are not <u>required</u> to get the vaccine or show proof of vaccination. We do encourage everyone to make an informed decision. To learn more about benefits of being fully vaccinated, go to <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated.html</a>

- Vaccinated students and employees are exempt from quarantine and have a lower chance of isolation and need for COVID-19 testing. You will be asked to show proof of vaccination to be exempt.
- COVID-19 vaccines are not available on campus but are widely available in the city of Conway (over 50 locations) and in your surrounding community. To find a location near you, go to <a href="http://vaccines.gov">http://vaccines.gov</a> or <a href="https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/topics/covid-19-map-of-1-a-pharmacy-locations">https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/topics/covid-19-map-of-1-a-pharmacy-locations</a>.

# **Contract Tracing:**

Per the Arkansas Department of Health, contact tracing for all college campuses in Arkansas (unless an institution trains/hires their own personnel) will be conducted by representatives from the UAMS (University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences) College of Public Health who are trained by and follow guidelines set forth by the Arkansas Department of Health. Chris Mitchell is CBC's designated campus contact to assist the Arkansas Department of Health in this process.

To learn more about contract tracing, go to

https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/topics/covid-19-contact-tracing

# **Quarantine and Isolation:**

- **Quarantine:** Those with known exposure to the virus are required to quarantine with the following exceptions:
  - Fully vaccinated individuals who are not experiencing symptoms are not required to quarantine. Proof of vaccination from your state's Department of Health is required.
  - Individuals who have had COVID-19 in the last 90 days are not required to quarantine.
  - Quarantine may be complete following a negative COVID-19 test from day 5-7 since exposure for individuals not experiencing symptoms. You may return to class or work on day 8 following the negative test.
- **Isolation:** Those who test positive for the virus are required to isolate off campus for at least 10 days since symptoms first appeared.
- Detailed information about quarantine and isolation can be found at <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/quarantine.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/quarantine.html</a>
- Because of the high demand for on-campus housing, quarantine and isolation must be completed off campus. No tuition or room and board credit will be issued for quarantined or isolated students; employees must use their accrued sick time or vacation/personal time.
- Students in quarantine or isolation will have to work with their instructors on the best way to make up for missed classes according to their situation.

<u>Campus Guests</u>: Guests are welcome to campus. Please do not visit campus if you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19.