



HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIAL STUDENT EDITION NEWSLETTER

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ON-CAMPUS STUDENT MANDATORY TESTING



MANDATORY COVID-19 TESTING FOR STUDENTS ON-CAMPUS

TESTING BEGINS SEPTEMBER 13, 2021

As part of the District's COVID-19 protocols designed to keep our students as safe as possible and consistent with recent recommendations from the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health, effective September 13, 2021, all students taking in-person classes will be required to take a weekly COVID-19 test.

Please note that you are required to be tested once per week but not necessarily prior to your first class for a particular week. Thus, if you have class on Monday but do not get tested until Wednesday, this is perfectly fine provided that you get tested at some point during the week. If

you do not test during the week, you will be informed that you are not to attend in-person classes the following week until you get tested. You will not be using the citrus mobile app pre-screening tool to record that you have taken a COVID-19 test.

This mandatory testing is being implemented as an additional step in the District's commitment to rely on best practices to help protect from COVID-19 exposure while you are on campus. Please know that all employees working on campus will also be tested weekly.



The Testing Process:

Who will be required to be tested?

All students enrolled in on-campus classes.

How often will I be required to test?

You will be tested once per week beginning the week of September 13th for the duration of the fall semester.

Where is the testing location?

The testing site is located in the Haugh Performing Arts lobby.

When can I get tested?

The testing site will be open as follows:

Monday through Thursday: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Friday: 9:00 am to noon.

Note: Students in Kinesiology/Athletics will continue to be tested in accordance with the testing program currently in place for the those students.

What type of test will be administered?

The test is a rapid test by Abbott called BinaxNOW.

Who will administer the test?

The test is designed to be a self-test with results in approximately 15 minutes. Staff will be available to assist you with the test. All you need to do is use a provided nasal swab to gently swab the inside of each nostril.

What should I expect when I report for my test?

Upon arrival you will be asked to use your Citrus Mobile app to scan a QR Code. This is the same process you have been using as you have entered buildings.

Please allow at least 30 minutes to complete the testing.

You will then be given the test and a staff person will assist you with the test.

After completing the test, you will be asked to wait for about 15 minutes or slightly longer to receive your test results.

If you test negative, you will be provided a note indicating the date you took the test and the result.

If you test positive, you will receive information concerning next steps. **If you test positive you will not be permitted to remain on campus and may not attend on-campus classes for a period of at least 10 days unless a medical provider informs the district that your reading was a false positive.**

Who will have access to my test results?

The student health center will retain the testing information and it will only be shared with college leadership as may be necessary to ensure compliance with COVID-19 protocols.

What if I cannot make it to the designated test times?

You are urged to make time available to be tested on the dates testing is available. If you are absolutely not able to make it at the designated times, for example do to a work schedule, please contact the student health center at shc@citruscollege.edu for further information.

What if I do not get tested as required

For yours and the campus community's safety, it is extremely important that you get tested once per week as required. If you do not get tested, you are not permitted to attend in-person classes. If for whatever reason you do not get tested during the week, please send an email to shc@citruscollege.edu for assistance.