

Neosho County Community College continues to work diligently to respond to the changes to the health and safety of our communities. Enriching our communities and students' lives is our mission, but *your safety is our priority.*

Fall classes begin August 23, 2021. On that date we intend to welcome students back for all learning environments that we provide including in-person classes. We will continue to update plans based on information, guidelines, and requirements provided by public health officials. Please see the <u>Neosho COVID19 News</u> website for current mask expectations.

NCCC is taking many steps to help protect students, employees, and visitors. *An important step you can take is to get vaccinated.* The college recommends everyone get vaccinated if you are eligible as determined by your healthcare provider.

As the situation changes this information will be updated, and as our planning continues, more details will be posted at the <u>Neosho COVID19 News</u> website.





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Health & Safety



Facilities and Operations:

Physical modifications have been made to the buildings, including air purification systems, clear barriers, frequent cleaning, and hand sanitizing stations.

Face Coverings:



The college constantly reviews mask expectations, please see the NCCC website and other signage for current mask determinations. When wearing masks, employees, students, visitors, and vendors should wear a face covering that covers the nose and mouth while in buildings owned and/or operated by the college. Masks are available in several college offices if you don't have one.



Health Assessments:

All employees, students, and visitors should complete a daily self health assessment before coming on campus. *If you are feeling sick or running a fever, do not come on campus*, rather, seek medical advice.

<u>Testing and vaccination information</u> is available on the <u>Neosho COVID19 News</u> website.



Prevention Hygiene:

Practice regular handwashing and use hand sanitizing stations when soap and water are not available. Avoid touching your face, eyes, or nose. Cough and sneeze in your mask and/or into your elbow to help protect others.



Recommended Daily Health Assessment

All employees, students, and visitors:

Please complete the following health assessment before coming to campus each day. If you meet the KDHE expectations for isolation or answer yes to any of these questions, **DO NOT** come to campus, please seek medical advice.



Please assess your <u>travel and exposure for isolation</u> by reviewing the Information from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment. This information changes frequently, please assess yourself daily.



Have you recently had contact with anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19?



Are you currently experiencing, or have you recently had any of these symptoms?

- Cough
- Shortness of breath / Difficulty breathing
- Fever or chills
- Sore throat
- Fatigue or body aches
- New loss of taste or smell
- Headache
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea



Positive COVID-19 Test Result? Next Steps:

It is required that all students, employees, vendors, and community visitors reveal in a timely fashion if they have tested positive or have a known exposure to COVID-19. Failure to report a positive test may result in adverse action.



If you have a positive test result or known exposure:

- Take care of yourself this is not your fault, and we appreciate you looking out for your fellow Panthers by following these steps.
- **Do not come to campus**. Immediately complete the <u>COVID Report Form</u> found on the Coronavirus Update and Reporting page on the website and in *my*Neosho under *my*Safety.
- Someone will be reaching out from the College and/or the County Health Department. To prepare, start making a list of the people that you have interacted with for over 10 minutes within 6 feet.

If someone reports to you they have a positive test result:

- Immediately complete the <u>COVID Report Form</u> found on the Coronavirus Update and Reporting page on the website and in myNeosho under mySafety.
- Keep this information private. You are not at liberty to share (other than filling out the form).
- Thank the individual for letting you know and reassure them that the information will remain private and someone will be in touch with them soon with support and information.





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Academic Calendar & Educational Environments



Classes:

All classes will begin as scheduled. Face covering guidance refers only to NCCC owned locations. Locations other than those owned by NCCC may have specific requirements related to face coverings, social distancing, etc. This may include clinical, internship, or other locations. Students must follow the requirements established at their class location. Due to the changing landscape of the pandemic, as a warning, NCCC may decide to adjust face-to-face class environments. We may need to pivot to remote learning at the class, program, or full college level at any point due to health and safety circumstances. Students, please pay attention to emails and the NCCC website for more information as applicable.



Dates:

All current Academic Calendar and Enrollment Management dates (for example: last day to add a class, last day to drop with a refund, etc...) remain as currently published.

Support:

All support services, including tutoring, advising, counseling, etc. will continue in-person or remotely for the entire semester.



Self-Isolation:

If you are expected to isolate by county or college officials, it will be considered an excused absense for classes. Please work with your instructor regarding the possibility of attending class remotely and making up any missed work.



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Housing

Move-In: Procedures for moving into the residence halls will be sent to students before move-in day by NCCC Housing staff. There will be multiple move-in days for our students based on activity needs. Plan to be tested for COVID-19 upon your arrival unless you provide proof of full vaccination. Vaccination details will be required by housing staff on or before move-in day.



Self-Isolation: Due to state and county regulations, some students, such as those traveling internationally, or from a state experiencing a high number of positive cases, may be required to self-isolate for a period of time and get tested. Please watch for information from the housing staff to learn more about your situation.



Testing: NCCC wants to take precautions if possible to avoid community spread of the Coronavirus. We are strongly encouraging all residence hall occupants to be vaccinated. For those who choose not be vaccinated, we will be working with local health professionals to monitor the health and safety of our students in the residence hall through frequent required COVID-19 testing.

Events

Gatherings: All group events are welcome on campus. This would include internal group events as well as outside group functions. Face-to-face group meetings are allowable following current mask guidelines. All students, employees and visitors should check our website frequently for <u>updates</u>.

Athletic Events: All athletic competitions will proceed as scheduled. NJCAA and the KJCCC may have protocols for fan participation. Please check the athletic website (<u>goneosho.edu</u>) before making plans to attend. All home events will be available to view via livestream and are free of charge, see details on <u>goneosho.edu</u>. Team practice will continue as scheduled.



