

**Reading Area Community College
COVID-19 Pandemic**

**Frequently Asked Questions
as of 8/28/20**

What should I do if I get sick?

Isolate if you are sick - "Isolation is used to separate people infected with SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, from people who are not infected."

Who needs to isolate?

- People who have COVID-19
- People who have symptoms of COVID-19 and are able to recover at home
- People who have no symptoms (are asymptomatic) but have tested positive for infection with SARS-CoV-2

When you can be around others (ending home isolation) depends on different factors for different situations. CDC's recommendations for situations follow:

"I think or know I had COVID-19, and I had symptoms"

You can be with others after:

- At least 10 days since symptoms first appeared **and**
- At least 24 hours with no fever without fever-reducing medication **and**
- Symptoms have improved

"I tested positive for COVID-19 but had no symptoms"

If you continue to have no symptoms, you can be with others after:

- 10 days have passed since the date you had your positive test.

For Anyone Who Has Been Around a Person with COVID-19

Anyone who has had close contact with someone with COVID-19 should stay home for 14 days after their last exposure to that person.

However, anyone who has had close contact with someone with COVID-19 and who:

- developed COVID-19 illness within the previous 3 months and
- has recovered and
- remains without COVID-19 symptoms (for example, cough, shortness of breath)

does not need to stay home.

Are face coverings mandatory on campus?

Yes!

RACC requires anyone entering the campus to wear a face covering. Except in cases in which a medical condition precludes the wearing of a face covering, full-face shields are not an acceptable face covering. Employees who are unable to wear a face covering due to a medical condition should contact Human Resources before coming to campus. Students who are unable to wear a face covering due to a medical condition should contact the Dean of Student Services office before coming to campus.

If an individual is observed not wearing a facemask, cordially remind them that they need to wear a face-covering while on campus. If the person refuses to comply, notify Security. The security officer will first encourage the person to wear a mask. If the person still refuses to comply, they will be escorted out of the building and told to leave campus until they receive a call authorizing their return. Based on the security officer's incident report, the Dean of Student Services will follow-up with students and Human Resources will follow-up with faculty and staff. If the person in question was a vendor or contractor, the Business Office will follow-up with the individual or company.

Is there a procedure in the event of a confirmed case of COVID-19 is identified on campus?

Yes. Please refer to the COVID-19 Re-entry Policy and Procedure at:

<https://www.racc.edu/health-alerts>

Are there any special procedures in effect for people entering campus buildings?

Yes

RACC is encouraging faculty, staff, administrators, and students to use the #CampusClear app for daily self-symptom screening before entering buildings on the campus.

You can access the #CampusClear app by downloading it from the Apple App Store <https://www.apple.com/ios/app-store> and/or Google Play <https://play.google.com/store>. The RACC community can begin using the app by registering for an account using your college email address.

If an individual does not have the #CampusClear app on a mobile device, or chooses not to use CampusClear, a security officer will utilize a series of screening questions to clear the person to enter the building.

Should I take precautions if I recently traveled outside of Pennsylvania?

Yes. COVID-19 Guidelines for recent domestic travel outside of PA are available at:

<https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Travelers.aspx>

Covid-19 Guidelines for recent international travel are available at:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/map-and-travel-notice.html>

Students who recently traveled outside of PA, including internationally, should contact the Dean of Student Affairs before returning to campus. Faculty/Staff who recently traveled outside of PA, including internationally, should contact Human Resources before returning to campus. RACC may require travelers to self-quarantine before they can return to campus.