



## AAC Success and Wellness Plan Update SPRING 2022

**Based on data and guidance by ODH and the CDC, the AAC has altered our return to campus plan for Spring 2022.**

**PLEASE READ CAREFULLY as all of us must abide by these directives for the safety of our community.**

The AAC is urging flexibility—in the workplace and in coursework—in the weeks ahead to help faculty, staff and students to manage issues related to COVID.

### Vaccination and Boosters

AAC now **includes booster vaccination as a requirement for community vaccination and disclosure.**

### Student Vaccination

AAC requires all students to receive the COVID-19 vaccination to be enrolled for the spring 2022 semester. **All students are also required to receive a COVID-19 booster shot no later than February 1, 2022, OR within fourteen (14) days of becoming eligible.** (Approximately two weeks before the start of spring semester) or within fourteen (14) days of becoming eligible to receive the booster shot). The AAC is pursuing a booster clinic that would be conducted at the AAC. PLEASE be checking your email for further information.

Anyone who has already received an approved exemption from a COVID-19 vaccination will continue to be exempt from this requirement. Students seeking an exemption from the vaccine or booster, must fill out a request form on the student patient portal.

<https://form.jotform.com/202176593251151>

### Pre-Arrival Testing Requirement

All unvaccinated students and students living in the dorm, must provide a negative COVID test (PCR or Rapid Test) taken between January 11<sup>th</sup> and January 17<sup>th</sup>. Testing information can be found at [www.healthcollab.org](http://www.healthcollab.org).

If you cannot locate a test, Mary Cadek will be available on January 12<sup>th</sup> through the 14<sup>th</sup> for testing, but you must email her and make an appointment at [mary.cadek@artacademy.edu](mailto:mary.cadek@artacademy.edu). All test results should be sent to [mary.cadek@artacademy.edu](mailto:mary.cadek@artacademy.edu). If your test results are positive, please see the guidelines below.

### COVID-19 Symptoms

Anyone experiencing any symptoms associated with the flu, allergies, a cold or COVID-19 should contact Mary Cadek ([mary.cadek@artacademy.edu](mailto:mary.cadek@artacademy.edu)) **before** coming to campus.

Symptoms may include:

Cough  
Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing  
Fever (100.4°F or higher)  
Chills  
Muscle pain  
Sore throat  
Loss of taste or smell  
Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea  
Headache  
Fatigue

### **Surveillance Testing**

AAC will conduct surveillance testing weekly during the Spring semester. On-campus students, faculty and staff will be placed into weekly or biweekly testing schedules and are **required to participate**. Unvaccinated/undisclosed students and employees will continue to be tested weekly and will be subject to corrective action for non-compliance.

### **Diagnostic testing**

Diagnostic testing for COVID-19 will continue to be provided to students who have symptoms suggestive of COVID-19 in Health Services. Employees must seek diagnostic testing at state testing centers or through their primary care physician.

## **Positive Test Result Requirements**

### **Protocols**

In line with recent guidance from the CDC and ODH, the following isolation protocols are in place for AAC students and employees:

- Any symptomatic individual (vaccinated, boosted or unvaccinated) who tests positive for COVID-19 must isolate until fever free for 24 hours without medication, until symptoms have improved, and it has been **at least FIVE days** from when symptoms first began. After completing isolation, those individuals should wear a mask around others for FIVE more days.
- Any asymptomatic individual who tests positive must isolate for FIVE days from the date of their positive test, and must wear a mask around others for FIVE additional days thereafter.

### **Isolation Housing**

- AAC has 10-15 rooms designated for isolation at a nearby hotel and will prioritize on-campus students for isolation housing.
- Employees are required to isolate at home.

## **Gatherings and Visitors**

- For the first six weeks, guest speakers will attend classes virtually. All other scheduled events will be handled on a case-by-case basis by the COVID Task Force. External visitors to AAC administrative and academic buildings must always wear face coverings.
- No external visitors are allowed in residence halls.

## Face Coverings

AAC will continue to require that face coverings be worn indoors, except while eating, but they can be removed in outdoor settings. Non-vaccinated individuals should continue to wear face coverings outdoors if they cannot practice physical distancing.

### **Allowances**

- Students may remove face coverings when in their residence hall rooms, even in the presence of their roommates.
- Staff may remove face coverings when working alone in their offices.

*AAC's face covering protocols follow the current CDC guidelines for a High Transmission area. Due to Omicron variant concerns, AAC will continue to require speakers and lecturers to wear face coverings. If the local transmission rates—or CDC guidelines—change, AAC will review its face covering requirements.*