

Because News Flies Fast

Dear Raven Nation,

Thank you for your continued efforts to slow the spread of COVID-19. Unlike the fall semester, we have seen community spread on our campus since the start of the spring semester, so we must remain vigilant in order to continue to slow the spread, lower our active cases and complete the semester on campus safely.

We are seeing our active case numbers decrease, and provided this trend holds throughout the weekend, the Shelter-in-Place will expire on Monday, February 22nd at 8 a.m.

At that time:

- The Library and the Bubble will reopen, maintaining all health and safety precautions including masks, social distancing and strict capacity limits. Please continue use the cleaning products provided at these locations and utilize the **seat reservation system** for the Library and Raven Nation app-based check-in/check-out process for the Bubble.
- The Dining Hall will remain closed for in-person dining at this time, continuing the grab-and-go options for all meals.
- Residence Halls will remain occupant-only. Students are not to visit other residence halls or rooms, and no guests are allowed at this time.
- Increased randomized testing for students, faculty and staff will continue. Any student who is experiencing symptoms should immediately contact Health Services.
- Out of an abundance of caution, the need to retest students returning to campus, and the forecast of winter weather on Monday morning, inperson classes on the Rindge campus will resume on Tuesday, February 23rd.

Students Returning to Campus:

You will be required to abide by the return guidelines below. Any student failing to abide by these guidelines will be subject to finishing the spring semester remotely.

The best time for you to return to campus is Sunday, February 22nd between 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. You must sign up for a return time. Check-in and testing will be

Returning students will not be allowed in their residence hall or in the classroom without presenting the required documentation below and being retested.

A negative PCR test result from within the 72-hour window of return;

<u>or</u> documentation of a previous positive COVID test within the last 90 days; or documentation of completed vaccine regimen (both shots) dated as of

February 8th. Any student (including commuting students who were not tested on campus this week) who

chooses to return after Sunday will need to present one of the documents above, and be retested and cleared by Health Services, before returning to their Residence Hall and/or inperson classes, practices or other activities.

Students who plan to return <u>after</u> Sunday must present to Health Services during normal business hours, Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Additional Q&A:

I have not been able to secure a PCR test before my planned return to campus. What do I do?

If you cannot secure a negative PCR test result in the 72-hour window, please make accommodations to continue your classes remotely by filling out this form, until you can secure a negative test result. Once you have a negative PCR test result, you may return to campus by presenting to Health Services during normal business hours, Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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