

DONNELLY COLLEGE COVID PROTOCOL

Current CDC Guidelines as of August 30, 2023

The CDC is currently not tracking COVID-19 so students, faculty and staff do not need to report a positive COVID illness to the college. We are no longer in an emergency order, there is no quarantine, so current guidelines are:

- **If you test positive and are not symptomatic**, please wear a mask and monitor yourself for symptoms. You may continue attending class/work as normal, restricting as much extra public contact as allowable (movies, dining out, bars, etc.). After 5 days you can cease to wear mask unless you become symptomatic. ****Healthcare workers will be required to wear the mask for 10 days regardless.**
- **If you test positive and are symptomatic** (fever, chills, cough, sore throat) you should isolate for 5 days. You can end isolation after 5 days if you have been fever-free for 24 hours. You should continue to wear a mask for an additional 5 days after symptoms have subsided.
- **A negative test is no longer required to return to school/work.** Some health care systems will test again upon return to work or clinicals to insure you are negative for COVID-19. Many healthcare settings are again returning to mandatory masking, however public and private institutions are still in control of that decision, and we are not mandating masks, currently, unless you have had a positive test.
- As this new wave of COVID-19 develops, updates will be provided when the CDC changes course with guidelines or other government entities dictate mandates.
- ****Nursing will excuse anyone with a provided positive test.** We are not returning to conferencing with students, as the time away from class is minimal at this point. Students will be excused and can make up the work once they provide a positive covid test to the Director of Nursing.
- Instructors will excuse students when proof of a positive test is provided.