



New Faculty Orientation

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A-State Objectives for COVID-19

- Committed to maintain the health & safety of our faculty, staff and students.
- The university's mission is to educate leaders, enhance intellectual growth and enrich lives.
- A-State will continue to deliver the highest quality learning and working environment during this unprecedented time.
- Procedures related to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic will be guided by information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Arkansas Department of Health and Governor Asa Hutchinson's Office.



Our Health Depends on Everyone

Aggressive Hygiene

Reduce your exposure

- Hand-washing 20 seconds
- Mask wearing
- Do not come to work/class with
 - COVID-19 symptoms

Physical Distancing

- Avoid becoming a direct contact
- Maintain physical distancing if possible

Close Contact

A close contact is:

- Less than six feet apart
- For more than 15 minutes (in a 24 hr. period)
- May result in quarantine
 - Depending upon vaccination status

MASK UP!
WOLVES UP!



**MASKS REQUIRED
FOR ENTRY**





Face Coverings & Masks

- To minimize the potential for COVID-19 virus spread, A-State employees and students must wear a cloth face covering indoors in any situation where physical distancing is not practical. This includes classrooms, meeting rooms, hallway, building entrances, and elevators.
- Face coverings should be worn when entering and exiting any building.
- Instructors in the classroom, may opt for a face shield as circumstances require or if you can maintain 12 foot of distance between the students while lecturing.
- During class, students must wear appropriate face coverings for the duration of a class period.
- Faculty must wear face coverings when attending meetings or other events where physical distancing rules cannot be followed. This also includes office hours or other instructional meetings outside of the traditional classroom.



Protective Measures in the Classroom

- Students are required to wear masks while in the classroom.
- Instructors may request students to leave the classroom if the student fails to comply with wearing some form of appropriate face covering.
- Adopt and use the COVID-19 course syllabus language.
- Faculty may require assigned seating of students.

What Happens If a Student is Sick?

- Faculty should provide the same type of service they would to any other student who is sick or ill and that would require the student to be out of the classroom. (in example making up course work)
- At times, students may become too sick to work remotely. Faculty will work with students following their usual process for missed courses.
- In some cases, students may need to withdraw from the course or a grade of “I” may be issued.
- Learning Support Services may be an option for students in need of a learning coach.



What Happens If I am Sick?

- Faculty exposed to COVID, test positive, or become sick as a result of should contact the Department Chair and follow typical process for missed classes.
- Preparation is the key for these circumstances.
- If unable to teach, also contact Human Resources to discuss leave options.

Self-Reporting Form

AState.edu/COVIDSelfReport

When to use the form:

- You have been tested
- You believe you have had direct contact
- You have COVID-19 symptoms
- You have observed an individual with symptoms on campus
- You have been advised of someone with COVID-19

COVID-19 Self Reporting Form

Complete the form below to make a COVID-19 report to Arkansas State University

I am completing this form because: *

- I have been tested for COVID-19 or have been advised to be tested.
- I have been in direct contact with a COVID-19 positive person.
- I have symptoms of COVID-19.
- I have observed an individual exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms on campus.
- I have been advised by an individual on campus that they have COVID-19.

I am a: *

- Student
- Faculty
- Staff

My Name: *

First Name

Last Name

My Campus ID Number: *

My Email: *

My Phone Number: *

Mobile Phone Preferred

By submitting this form, I am granting permission to be contacted via email or phone by a member of the A-State healthcare team concerning the information provided. *

- I acknowledge

Submit Form



Isolation vs. Quarantine

Individuals who have tested positive for COVID

- Minimum 10 days isolation
- Isolated until all three are achieved:
 - 24 hours with no fever without medicine
 - Symptoms have improved
 - At least 10 days since test or symptoms started

Quarantine = Exposed

Non-Vaccinated Individuals:

- Quarantine for 10 days and are asymptomatic
- If you receive a negative COVID test on the 5th day of quarantine, you can be released from quarantine after day 7.

Fully Vaccinated Individuals:

- If asymptomatic, not required to quarantine
- If become symptomatic, after direct contact – individuals must isolate for a period of 10 days.



Contact Tracing

Performed by the A-State Medical Team

- On-campus testing for COVID-19
 - At NYITCOM Health Clinic near stadium

If you receive a call or text . . .

Contact tracers will keep your information confidential

- Please comply with information
 - If you are the case, be honest
 - If you are being traced, be ready to quarantine
- Follow protocol if you are asked to test
 - Call ahead to alert your health care provider
 - Do not return to class or work until released

Additional Information

More info:
AState.edu/Coronavirus



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STUDENT HEALTH CENTER



The Student Health Center provides an array of medical services. In order to serve you better, we prefer you call us at (870) 972-2054 to schedule an appointment for medical services. Students who walk-in will be scheduled for the next available appointment slot.

[Visit their website >>](#)

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Information as of: August 12, 2020

COVID-19 Self Reporting
A-State has implemented a COVID-19 Self-Reporting Form for the campus community. This form is to be submitted by individuals that have been tested, have COVID-19 symptoms, or have been exposed to someone who is COVID-19 positive.

RETURN TO LEARN OVERVIEW
As we draw nearer to the beginning of the Fall 2020 semester, this is a good time to remind everyone about our Return to Learn plan and to highlight some of the many steps that we are taking to limit the spread of COVID-19.
[View the Chancellor's Email >>](#)

COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS)
Arkansas State University is currently operating under its Emergency Operations Plan due to the global coronavirus pandemic. The Emergency Operations Center is operational until further notice. Our EOC team is working in close coordination with city and county health officials, and with our partners at NYIT College of Osteopathic Medicine. The EOC is in contact with the Arkansas Department of Health, and are carefully monitoring information from the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
For daily updates on COVID-19 in the state, go to the [ADH status update page](#).

OFFICIAL INFORMATION NOTICE
There are no plans to cancel classes, however, if situations dictate a change, you will receive notice via official A-State communications. **Please make sure your cell phone is current in your myAState account.** Do not believe rumors or any statements about outbreaks or class cancellations that are not direct from:

- the A-State main website, AState.edu
- the official university social media, Facebook.com/ArkansasState or Twitter.com/ArkansasState
- by official email to your A-State account, or
- by direct text message from A-State.

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