



May 10, 2021

Dear Members of the University Community,

The University will send the final regular weekly update for the semester regarding Royals Safe Together – A Plan to Reopen Campus on **Monday, May 24**. Communications during the summer months will be sent on an as needed basis by the Acting President, President and other members of Cabinet or members of the University community.

Up-to-date information will continue to be posted at [Royals Safe Together – A Plan to Reopen Campus](#).

Report of Active Cases of SARS-CoV-2 on Campus

As in the fall semester, the University has [instituted a practice to provide regular updates about positive cases](#) of the SARS-CoV-2 virus on campus. Surveillance testing data for students and employees will be reported each week.

Campus Metrics Summary for May 1 to May 9:

- The University conducted 989 surveillance tests of students and employees with a weekly positivity rate of .61%. The cumulative positivity rate on surveillance testing this semester is .65% on 14,051 tests processed.
- Six students tested positive through surveillance testing, one student reported symptoms and tested positive on campus, and no students reported a positive test from an off-campus provider or tested positive in the quarantine testing protocol. All students testing positive are in isolation or completed the necessary isolation. University contact tracers identified and notified students to quarantine as per established protocols. Sixteen students were able to shorten their quarantine time frame due to the quarantine testing protocol.

- No employees tested positive and no employees were notified to quarantine. Four employees remain in quarantine or isolation from the previous week.

Reported Positive Student Cases: 7

Students in isolation: 6

Students in quarantine: 4

Students meeting criteria to discontinue quarantine or isolation: 56

Reported Positive Employee Cases: 0

Employees in isolation: 3

Employees in quarantine: 1

Employees meeting criteria to discontinue quarantine/isolation: 5

*Note: Information provided reflects activity within a given week. Because the general timeframe for isolation and quarantine overlaps with weekly reporting, numbers between weeks will differ.

Updates

- **A vaccination clinic will be held on campus May 14 to administer the second dose of the Pfizer vaccine to the 969 participants of the April clinic.**
 - Based on student surveys, vaccination documents submitted and participation in the campus vaccine clinic held in April, **we estimate that more than 2,500 students have already received at least one COVID-19 vaccination.**
 - **Students who are fully vaccinated are reminded to upload their vaccine information** through the [student health portal](#).
- The University's Center for Health, Education and Wellness has sent a **survey to faculty and staff to help understand their status and interest regarding the COVID-19 vaccine.** The information gathered will help guide the University's decisions around health and safety protocols for the next academic year, and determine if employees need further assistance in obtaining the vaccine.
- **Royals Safe Together Reminder:** The University will continue to follow health and safety guidelines as outlined in the Royals Safe Together Plan for the remainder of the spring semester and at least for the beginning of the

summer sessions. Masking, social distancing, cleaning and other protocols remain in effect. **We ask for your continued understanding and care in following the health and safety guidelines as we approach the end of the semester.**

You should expect your next regular update on Monday, May 17, 2021.

Sincerely,

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