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Message to Black Hawk College Students

Fall 2021 Updated COVID-19 Guidance

Welcome to the Fall 2021 semester!

As we begin the fall semester COVID-19 persists and the college continues to monitor it and make changes to our guidance as needed. Here are the main updates for this fall:

- Students are required to complete the assignment in the Canvas course titled “Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)” by September 15, 2021. Please click on the homepage of that course to access the assignment. The assignment involves reading three documents which outline the College’s COVID-19 policies and procedures and certifying that you have read the documents and that you will follow the procedures. You will be required to complete this certification each semester of this academic year. If you have any questions, please contact Amy Maxeiner, Vice President for Instruction at maxeiner@bhc.edu or 309-796-5043.
- The Campus Clear app will be discontinued on Monday, August 23, 2021. We expect everyone will continue to self-screen, monitor symptoms and report any symptoms or risk factors each time you access any campus location using the risk factor reporting procedure outlined below.
- Vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals will be required to wear masks indoors unless alone in an office, room or workspace. The College will revisit this when conditions and guidance changes. Reasonable accommodations will be provided consistent with and pursuant to applicable law.

Self-Screening; Risk Factor Reporting and Contact Tracing

- Employees, students and visitors are required to report any and all risk factors regardless of vaccination status.
- Risk factors include:
 - Positive COVID-19 test result (or awaiting a test result)
 - Experiencing symptoms of COVID-19
 - Has been directed to quarantine or isolate by a health official
 - Known exposure to COVID-19 or a symptomatic individual
 - Travel internationally via any mode of transportation or travel domestically by plane, train, interstate bus, or cruise ship
 - Any other reason one may believe they have been infected with COVID-19
- Known risk factors are to be reported to the Contact Tracer:
 - Employees may email covidemployees@bhc.edu
 - Students may email covidstudents@bhc.edu
 - Visitors may email covidvisitors@bhc.edu

Thank you for your continued efforts assisting us in keeping our campuses a safe work and learning environment. Please continue to monitor your health, take appropriate precautions, honestly assess your health and risk factors and report symptoms you develop as listed in these guidelines.

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