

ALL NURSING programs/classes will resume **ON CAMPUS** as of

June 1, 2021, for ALL EVENING programs

June 15, 2021, for ALL DAY programs.

Although we cannot predict what the future will hold for our campus, we believe that the safety measures we are adopting in conjunction with a wide variety of best practices, including, but not limited to, documents from the CDC Guidelines for Institutes of Higher Education, The Responsible RestartOhio: Higher Education Minimum Operating Standards and Recommended Best Practices provide us with solid preventative measures. Athena Career Academy's plan was reviewed by the Toledo-Lucas County Health Department.

Our comprehensive health strategy will be **REQUIRED by ALL** Students, staff, and faculty members.

- **Daily personal symptom monitoring:** Daily symptom checks are also required for students, faculty, and staff **PRIOR** to coming onto campus. Students, faculty, and staff with symptoms (fever, cough, body aches, etc.) will be required to quarantine until authorized to discontinue under a medical professional.
- **Social distancing:** Social distancing will be observed where possible and expected of all students, faculty, and staff when possible, including things like using larger spaces for classes and protocols for common areas.
- **Wearing of facial coverings:** We know that wearing facial coverings, along with social distancing, are among the most effective ways of minimizing the spread of the virus. It is our policy that all students, faculty, staff, and guests on campus wear facial coverings indoors, per the Responsible Restart Ohio.
- **Testing:** If a student needs to be tested, they are encouraged to contact their medical provider or their local health department in the county in which they live.
- **Contact tracing:** contact tracing will take place in accordance with guidelines from the CDC and Toledo-Lucas County Health Department for all campus members who test positive for the virus.
- **Isolation and quarantine:** Because we know eliminating all risk is impossible, we will ensure those students are academically supported until a return to day-to-day routine is authorized under medical and public-health guidance. **Documentation must show the student's name and date of the test, the result, and verifiable facility stamp/information. Students will not be permitted to return to campus without documentation on file with their Program Director.**
 - Those with symptoms or who are in the process of being tested are **REQUIRED** to quarantine. The same will be true for students identified through contact tracing as having had potential exposure, and as a result, will be required to quarantine for 14 days.
 - Students with positive test results will be required to isolate as well as provide proof of positive test result.
- **Return to day-to-day activities:** ALL staff, faculty, and students diagnosed as being COVID-positive will be required to remain in isolation for a total of ten (10) days per CDC guidelines. Students will be required to contact their program director to receive approval to return to campus at the end of the isolation and quarantine periods as well as provide documentation from a medical professional.
- **Cleaning and sanitation:** We have stocked sanitation products and planned for staffing so that we can follow strict disinfection and cleaning protocols in all classrooms, communal rooms (lounge, media center, etc.)
- **Classrooms:** We will observe social distancing in classrooms as best we can, including moving some classes to larger spaces on campus. **Facial coverings** will be required in class by ALL students, faculty, and staff. There may also be removal of face coverings for safety or other practicable reasons, such as when a faculty member is instructing the class, the faculty member may remove mask while at the podium for lecture to be clearly heard and understood. **Classroom surfaces** will also be disinfected on a regular basis. To facilitate having fewer

students in the hallways, class beginning and ending times could be slightly staggered as well as student breaks and lunchtimes.

For more information, please refer to the Athena Career Academy COVID-19 Safety and Prevention Plan. If you have further questions you may contact the COVID-19 Task Force at covid19@athenacareers.edu. All students, faculty, and staff will be notified of any changes or modifications of this plan via their Athena email. All changes/modifications will be effective on the date/time of the notice.

We are super excited to have everyone return to in-person learning in June!