

August 24 Campus Update Regarding Face Coverings

To the UF Community:

In recent days, there have been questions regarding face covering requirements, and some concerns have been expressed about compliance. As a reminder, please observe the following guidelines:

Anyone (including but not limited to all students, employees, contractors, vendors, suppliers and visitors) entering any campus building, including office buildings, academic buildings, recreational facilities, and housing facilities, must wear an appropriate face covering.

- The face covering must be worn in all classrooms, hallways, public spaces, and common areas, as well as office spaces.
- Face coverings are also required in outdoor settings when safe physical distancing (at least six feet) is not possible or is not taking place.

The only times face coverings are not required to be worn are as follows:

- By employees working alone in their offices.
- By students in their residence hall room.
- When participating in activities in which a face covering cannot be worn or would prohibit respiratory function (while in the act of eating, drinking, playing a musical instrument or singing, exercising, playing sports).
- By individuals with a federally recognized disability and/or an accommodation that prevents them from wearing a face covering. Exceptions from the state government or other federal guidelines may also apply. Those that need accommodations should contact [Human Resources](#) (employees) or the [Office of Accommodation and Inclusion](#) (students).

Thank you for your help in keeping Oiler Nation healthy.

Regards,

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