January 31 Campus Update Regarding COVID-19

We would like to share these reminders and updates regarding COVID-19. The purpose of these protocols is to support the safety of our community while continuing to offer the meaningful learning and living experiences that contribute to our students' success.

We have adjusted the way figures and data will be reported in order to provide a more accurate picture of the status of campus health. As the pandemic has evolved, so too has access to testing, information and protocols. You will notice that the "number of test completed" has been eliminated from the information provided in the COVID-19 Dashboard. The accessability to tests has greatly changed since the University started tracking and providing the number of tests being administered on campus. This data point no longer provides an accurate picture as our campus community now has access to and are utilizing testing options outside of the campus framework. We hope this new method of reporting will allow you to gain access to accurate and timely information with ease and confidence.

The University continues to be in communication with Hancock Public Health, and will be meeting with them this week to discuss their most up-to-date recommendations and guidance. We continue to monitor developments in the COVID-19 pandemic and will communicate any necessary updates in a timely manner.

As a reminder, the U.S. Government launched its website for households to order four, free athome COVID-19 tests. More information can be found here: https://www.covidtests.gov/.

Please remember that if you test positive for COVID, you need to inform the Cosiano Health Center (419-434-4550) so contact tracing can be initiated. Instructors are also being asked to keep seating charts for classes in order to assist with the contact tracing process. If you are a UF Employee, please also contact Human Resources (419-434-6964) to determine if work accommodations or leave options are needed.

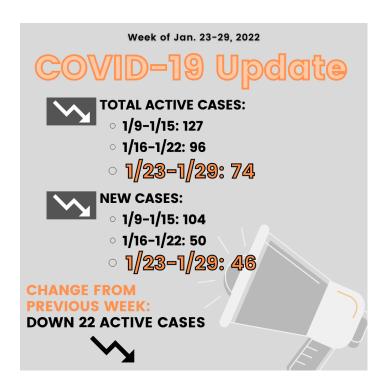
Vaccinations and Boosters

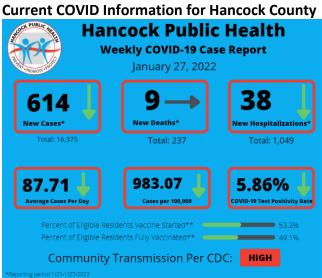
The University strongly encourages individuals to be fully vaccinated and to get the booster. Employees, including student workers on campus, are required to submit their vaccination status via Workday.

Hancock Public Health is offering COVID-19 Walk-in Clinics three days a week. More information can be found here.

<u>Face Coverings</u> remain a requirement for everyone in all University buildings. This requirement will be enforced not only in classrooms and labs but also in indoor gathering spaces throughout campus.

COVID-19 Dashboard





We are always happy to discuss information, procedures, and protocols as we continue to evaluate any necessary adjustments. Please do not hesitate to gain clarification on any information as the health and safety of our campus community is of the upmost importance.

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