

## November 9 COVID Case Data Update

To the UF Community:

As we start the thirteenth week of classes, I want to provide the following updates:

- For the week of 11/1-11/7 - we administered 65 tests; there were 86 active positive cases; and 288 people were in quarantine (see [COVID-19 Dashboard](#) for more detail).
- As of 11/9 - the curve is flattening as there are now 28 positive cases and 68 people in quarantine.
- As part of Ohio's testing program, UF will be doing random rapid testing of students this week. Students selected will receive an email with instructions. Since it is a rapid test, no quarantining will be required while waiting for results. These screenings will provide UF with information about the extent of the virus in our community as we continue the semester.
- A bi-polar Ionization system has been installed in the Henderson HVAC system. This system produces Ions that neutralize impurities in the air including mold and the COVID-19 virus. These units will be installed in a number of other locations in the near future.
- Monitoring of the CBSL and AMU common areas by Security is going to increase in order to ensure face covering compliance. Unless a person is in the act of eating or taking a drink, they must have their face coverings on at all times in these locations. If we continue to have concerns expressed about individuals not wearing face coverings while in these areas, we may be forced to restrict access to the areas.
- Student Affairs and SGA are going to review UF's COVID protocols/policies regarding testing, quarantining, isolation, contact tracing, face coverings, and physical distancing to see what adjustments should be made to improve processes, communication, compliance, and information sharing.

While the test below is included in each weekly update, we really do need everyone in Oiler Nation to commit to doing the following things every day:

- On campus
  - Wear a face covering *inside* all buildings (classrooms, hallways, offices, public spaces, and common areas).
  - Wear a face covering *outside* when safe physical distancing from others (at least six feet) is not possible.
  - Ask others politely to wear a face covering if you see they are not.
  - Remember that eating in class is not permitted since face coverings must be worn while in class.
- Off campus
  - Wear face coverings as required by the state of Ohio.
  - Maintain physical distance when around others.
  - Avoid group gatherings.

- On or off campus
  - Use the [Daily Health Monitoring Tool](#) every day.
  - Follow the [Oiler Pledge](#).

If you would like to access any of the other campus updates that have been sent out over the past months, please visit the [Coronavirus Disease \(COVID-19\) Information](#) web page. Links to all updates are located in the Campus Communications section. If you have suggestions or questions, please email them to [coronavirus@findlay.edu](mailto:coronavirus@findlay.edu). Additionally, we would encourage you to download the Oiler Mobile App (available at App Store and Google Play), and enable push notifications. As always, thank you for your understanding and thoughtful feedback.

Regards,

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