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Concordia University Chicago has released full details of its Spring 2022 campus operations via the University's COVID-19 website. All employees and students are expected to familiarize themselves with current COVID-19 protocols, which they will be required to follow.

** RETURN TO CAMPUS COVID-19 TESTING REQUIREMENT **

For the Spring 2022 semester, the University will require all students and employees to submit a negative COVID-19 test dated between Tuesday, Jan. 4 and Sunday, Jan. 9. The requirement applies to all eligible individuals (see below) regardless of vaccination status.

This protocol is in alignment with current best practices with the goal of maintaining normal campus operations while also preventing the spread of the COVID-19 Omicron variant. The significant increase in cases nationally is due, in part, to the susceptibility of both vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals to this particular strain of the virus.

Eligibility
- **Students**: Students who are responsible for meeting the above-stated requirements are defined as individuals enrolled in credit-bearing or non-credit-bearing coursework. This applies to those students present on the University's main River Forest campus as well as those at off-campus, satellite classroom locations. This requirement does not apply to individuals who complete their coursework fully online.

  Note: Student-athletes will receive a separate communication regarding their testing requirements to fulfill NCAA/NACC requirements.

- **Employees**: Faculty and staff members who are responsible for meeting the above-stated requirements are defined as any person who is employed by CUC (full-time, part-time or contractually) who is in contact with others on campus for more than 15 minutes at least once per week on a regular basis. This applies to those employees present on the University's main River Forest campus as well as those at off-campus, satellite classroom locations.

Test Result Requirements
- Negative COVID-19 tests must be dated between Tuesday, Jan. 4 and Sunday, Jan. 9.
- Individuals who test on campus (see info below) will consent to having their results automatically submitted to the University; no other reporting is necessary.
- Individuals who choose to get tested off campus must submit their test results via the secure COVID-19 Test Result Submission Form.
- PCR test results are preferred; Rapid test results are acceptable; At-home test results will NOT be accepted.

Testing Positive
- Students who receive a positive test result should:
  - Report the positive case to CUC via the COVID-19 Self Reporting Form.
  - Quarantine off campus/at home for 10 days and until symptoms are no longer present.

- o Residential students who have already arrived on campus or are unable to quarantine off campus will be checked into on-campus quarantine housing.
- Employees who receive a positive test result should:
  - o Report the positive case to CUC via the [COVID-19 Self Reporting Form](#).
  - o Quarantine off campus/at home for 10 days and until symptoms are no longer present.

On-Campus Testing
- Free, on-campus testing will be available as follows:
- Koehneke Community Center (KCC) – Room 10
  - o Tuesday, Jan. 4: 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
  - o Wednesday, Jan. 5: 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Walk-ins only, no appointment necessary.
- Individuals who have not tested with O'Hare testing should complete the [online testing consent form](#).
- This option is best for employees and students who live locally.

Questions
- Students should contact the Dean of Students office at DOS@CUChicago.edu.
- Employees should contact Human Resources at HR@CUChicago.edu.

- CUC Emergency Response Team