

Dear Students,

We hope you take time to rest over this winter break. As we prepare for your in-person return to campus, we continue to share information and update you about our Covid-19 protocols. Please read the following information and as always, contact us if you have questions.

### **COVID-19 Booster Requirement**

As stated in the [12/21/21 Spring 2022 COVID-19 update](#), all eligible students must submit a photo image copy of their COVID-19 Vaccination Record Card showing that they have received a booster shot. Please send an image of your vaccination card along with your name, date of birth, and MCLA A# to Health Services at [HealthServices@mcla.edu](mailto:HealthServices@mcla.edu) or fax to 413-662-5572 by **January 14, 2022**. Failure to do so will result in a registration hold and potential unenrollment from classes.

### **COVID-19 Testing**

All students will be tested **weekly**, beginning the first week of classes. Commuters must begin testing the week of January 17 to be cleared for in-person courses. Resident students will receive a separate email with additional move-in information and a link that will allow each student to schedule a specific move-in appointment. Residents will be tested upon arrival before they move into their rooms. Residents arriving outside of our [scheduled move-in](#) will receive information on how to request an exemption.

Failure to participate in our weekly testing program puts us all at risk. We can't stress enough how important it is that we all do what we can to keep our community safe and maintain an in-person, on campus learning environment.

### **Spring 2022 Start Date and Course Delivery**

The first three days of classes will be remote, with in-person learning beginning on Monday, January 24. This will allow time to receive the first week's batch of COVID-19 tests results back.

### **Athletics**

Women's and Men's Basketball conference games will be held as scheduled. These games will be closed, with no fans or spectators in attendance. We encourage everyone to watch the games online using the live stream link from the [athletics website](#).

### **Dining**

The Centennial Room will have To-Go and Pick-Up options for all meals during the week of January 17 with tentative plans to open for in-person seating beginning Monday, January 24.

### **Parking**

The Berkshire Tower parking lot will remain unavailable for the entirety of the Spring 2022 semester due to construction. While this is unfortunate, we do have [parking available](#) in other lots.

### **Welcome Week Programming**

Programs and activities planned for the week of January 17 have been rescheduled and/or moved online. Please check your email for updates.

The MCLA COVID-19 hotline continues to be available from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday - Friday for questions related to COVID-19 at 413-662-5550. Please contact us if you have questions.