Fall 2021 Planning Subgroup Report
Public Health and Safety

I. Subgroup Membership

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Campus Experts
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• Kelli Russell, Director of Contact Tracing, Teaching Instructor Department of Health Education and Promotion
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II. Guidelines and Resources

• NCDHHS Interim Guidance for Higher Education
• Reopening Campus - The Chronicles
• The COVID Precautions Colleges Should Take This Fall - The Chronicles of Higher Education
• ACHA Guidelines Considerations for Reopening Institutions of Higher Education for the Fall Semester 2021
• Guidance for UNC System Office
III. Summary of Key Recommendations

General Public Health Protocols
- Face Coverings
  - Recommend continued use of masks in doors until reaching two-thirds vaccination of campus community
- Sanitation stations and cleaning supplies for classrooms and buildings
  - Facilities will ensure sanitation wipes/cleaners/sanitation stations are readily available for campus use.

Covid Testing
- Reentry Testing
  - All Campus Living residents will be required to participate in reentry testing.
  - Students in experiential learning will be required to participate in reentry testing prior to beginning internships.
  - Individuals are in compliance with testing requirements if:
    - They test when required.
    - They are fully vaccinated with an FDA emergency use authorized or WHO approved vaccine.
    - Have had a diagnosis of COVID in the past 90 days.
- Routine testing will be required for on campus ECU community members (including Campus Living residents, students taking in person classes, faculty, and staff)
  - Individuals are in compliance with testing requirements if:
    - They test when required.
    - They are fully vaccinated with an FDA emergency use authorized or WHO approved vaccine.
    - Have had a diagnosis of COVID in the past 90 days.
  - Campus Living will test 50% of residents per week.
  - Athletic testing follows conference and NCAA rules.

Contact Tracing
- This program will continue with Kellie Russell as the lead.
- Will continue with PCHD Tracer, SHS Health Promotion project manager, Public Health interns and ECU staff.

Other Surveillance
- Wastewater Testing
  - Will continue in Residence Halls
  - Will resume on August 10, 2021
- Medicat My Pirate Chart Application
  - Will use this to communicate compliance with campus community members.
Admissions (recruitments, orientations, international students, etc.)
• Orientation/tours will follow guidelines per executive orders and ECU protocols.
• Will offer in person tours in the fall and in person office hours.

Travel, Visitors, and Visiting Scholars (including international)

Domestic Travel
• Allowed based on university travel guidelines.
• Covid testing, isolation and quarantine requirements will be based on current CDC guidelines.

International travel (including incoming/outgoing students, faculty/staff and visitors)
• Will be required to follow CDC guidelines for international travelers.
• Should work with the protocol set forth by the Office of Global Affairs.

Visitors
• Will be required to follow safety protocols set forth by the university.

Contracted Workers
• Contract workers will be required to have COVID protocols in place and should be discussed with the Associate Vice Chancellor for Campus Safety and Auxiliary Services.
• These protocols should include safety measures and information for contact tracing as needed.

Gatherings and Events
• Departments/campus organization planning events will be encouraged to follow the guidelines for gatherings as set forth by the university.
• Planning committees should complete a safety plan for each event, outlining the type of event, safety measures needed, and PPE required/recommended. Completed form should go to Central Reservations.
• The planning committee for events should have a plan for identifying all those who are participating in the event (if possible) to ensure contact tracing can take place as needed.

Isolation and Quarantine
• The university will continue offer on campus isolation and quarantine space for campus living residents.
• Isolation and quarantine space on campus will be available for students who reside off campus for a fee at their request.
• Students in isolation and quarantine will continue to be monitored by SHS.