

Healthy@NKU

Mandatory Facial Coverings

Facial coverings are required for all faculty, staff, students, vendors, and visitors.

- Facial coverings must be worn at all times on campus **except** while eating or while alone in a private room such as a personal office. Facial coverings are not required while exercising outdoors, as long as there is proper social distancing and no clustering with others.
- Facial coverings should cover the nose, mouth, and chin.
- NKU will provide each campus employee and each student enrolled in on-campus courses with a reusable or disposable mask. Information regarding the distribution of the masks will be provided before August 1. Individuals may also choose to purchase or [make their own facial covering](#) for use on campus.
- Some individuals should not wear facial coverings. Faculty, staff, and students may request an accommodation through Human Resources. Accommodations will be provided for the following reasons with adequate documentation:
 1. Facial coverings in the work setting are prohibited by law, regulation, or documented industry standard;
 2. Facial coverings are prohibited for a documented health reason.
- For more information, see NKU [Facial Covering FAQ webpage](#) .

Screening, Testing, and Contact Tracing

All students, faculty, and staff must self-screen for COVID-19 symptoms prior to each visit to campus.

- On the days that students, faculty, and staff plan on being on campus, they will need to self-screen for COVID-19 symptoms using the Healthy@NKU app. This app is available through myNKU for both standard platforms and mobile devices. Students living in on-campus housing will self-screen daily.
 - The app will provide clearance for your coming to campus or advice regarding next steps.
 - None of your responses on the app will be stored, and no one will have access to your answers.
 - Supervisors will receive daily confirmation of employees who completed the self-screen. Instructors can request confirmation for their students.
- Testing for COVID-19 for those who are symptomatic or who are prescribed by a medical professional is available at the St. Elizabeth Urgent Care Center on Nunn Drive.
 - Positive test results will be reported to the Northern Kentucky Health Department, who will initiate contact-tracing.

- The Northern Kentucky Health Department will notify the designated campus Health Officer regarding any positive tests as well as individuals who may have come in contact with someone who received a positive test.
- Individuals residing on campus who are tested for COVID-19 must quarantine until they are advised otherwise by a medical professional. NKU will provide space and deliver meals to all quarantined residential students.
- All faculty, staff, and students arriving from outside of the country or out of state must quarantine for 14-days, per Kentucky order. NKU will provide space and deliver meals to all quarantined international residential students.

Social Distancing

- Faculty, staff, and students should utilize Zoom or Team meetings, remote instruction, or work-from-home as much as possible.
- All non-essential university travel is prohibited through fall semester.
- Please maintain at least 6' from other individuals on campus at all times, whether indoors, outside, or masked.

Campus Health Services

- [NKU Health, Counseling, and Student Wellness \(HCSW\)](#) will be open for in-person and virtual visits.
- For in-person visits to [Health Services](#), appointments will be required so that they can be staggered to allow for physical distancing in the waiting room.
- [Counseling Services](#) will be available to all students. Sessions will continue to be offered via telehealth (phone/video), as well as in-person sessions as appropriate. In the event of a crisis/urgent matter, a clinician will be available both during regular business hours, as well as after hours.
- [Additional online resources](#) for health and mental health concerns can be found on the HCSW website.

Class Delivery and Attendance

- Many courses will be offered with both hybrid and on-line options.
- Attendance requirements are relaxed for students, faculty, and staff when exposed to COVID-19 or in recent contact with a confirmed case.
- Instruction may shift to fully online if recommended by the CDC, NKY Health Department, or the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Facilities

- Using CDC guidelines, NKU Facilities has determined with maximum capacity for each space on campus and has arranged campus furniture to maintain appropriate social distancing.
 - Students, faculty, and may not move or alter room arrangements on campus.
 - Students, faculty, and staff must obey all social distancing signage on campus.
- Approved hand sanitizer will be provided in existing dispensers and in high traffic areas.
- Cleaning and disinfecting processes will follow CDC and Health Department guidelines, and high-touch/high-traffic areas disinfected in regular, defined intervals.
- Cleaning supplies and clothes will be provided to individual offices or suites.
 - NKU personnel will be expected to clean their individual offices and shared kitchen spaces regularly.

Classroom Health and Safety

- Classrooms have been reconfigured to allow for social distancing.
- For in-person classes, faculty should encourage students to stagger entrances and exits to maintain social distancing.
- Students and faculty will follow the mandatory facial covering requirements described above. Faculty should state this facial covering requirement on their syllabi and may require additional Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) (e.g., safety goggles) as needed.
- Students and faculty should follow the self-screening requirements described above.
- Classes that offer in-person meetings will be required to concrete plans for the possibility of transitioning to a fully online/remote environment either on a class-wide or individual student basis.
 - Faculty will communicate these plans to students at the beginning of the semester and work with students to be sure they have back-up plans in place for being able to pivot to remote learning.
- All faculty will notify their department chairs/school directors if they fall ill or need to be quarantined.