03/17/22 COVID Newsletter

COVID-19 Health and Safety Task Force

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Dear Campus Community,

Masking requirement on campus were adjusted to reflect California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and CSU requirements Monday, March 07, 2022. The updated program means masking is no longer required in most circumstances. In addition the communication noted that we:

- Require completion of the Daily Health check
- Require weekly testing of those who are unvaccinated and those not up to date with COVID-19 vaccinations (including boosters).
- Offer voluntary PCR testing for anyone on campus during the weekly surveillance testing
- Strongly recommend masking indoors for the unvaccinated
- Make masks available for use across campus
- Require masks in The Student Health Center and mass transit for everyone.
- Support community members who choose to continue masking
- Require masking indoors for a minimum of 10 days after a positive COVID test or close contact with a known COVID positive person.

We are closely tracking information about the new BA.2 variant and will keep the community updated about it.

Vaccination remains the best way to avoid contracting Covid-19. There are still local vaccination opportunities. See <u>https://www.csum.edu/alert/covid-19/</u> for further information about clinic dates and times at the end of this newsletter.

Vaccination Rates

Cadets, faculty, and	96% are Vaccinated	4% sought exemptions	0% on campus not
staff			participating

As of March 17, 2022, we currently have three cadets and zero staff in isolation. Isolation may be on campus or at people's residences.

Tests Neg / pos	Current/cleared
209/ <mark>9</mark>	0/9
382/39	<mark>0</mark> /39
	209/ <mark>9</mark>

February	172/ <mark>10</mark>	<mark>0/14</mark>
March	177/4	1/3
April	0/0	0/0
May	0/0	0/0

December includes the holiday break.

Isolation separates sick people with a contagious disease from people who are not sick. Normally, isolated people are released (cleared) ten days from onset.

Quarantine has been removed as that only applies to unvaccinated people, which only make up 4% of the population. Vaccinated people are not required to quarantine after being a close contact.

We continue to add information to the <u>COVID website</u> and encourage cadets to share this information with family and provide feedback on any additional information useful to the community.