



Subject Line: Updated Residential Return Date & Plan
Sent to All Resident Students: January 6, 2022

This message is sent to all residential students and copied to all faculty and staff:

UPDATED RETURN PLAN – All students report to the Events Arena as detailed below on **Mon, Jan 24**. First day of spring classes moved to **Tues, Jan 25**.

This communication is a follow-up to previous announcements detailing the delay in the start of the spring semester with an updated return plan. Please read this communication in its entirety as action is needed on your part to ensure you can move into the residence halls for the spring semester.

1. Once you receive your pre-arrival test result (prior to arriving to campus), you must complete this link and upload your lab result that includes your name, date of birth, collection date, and test result. <https://medaille.forms-db.com/view.php?id=209798>. **Those testing positive should not come to campus and await further instructions.**
2. If you are arriving via plane, have already secured your ticket, and cannot change your flight departure, please complete this link uploading your flight purchase date and itinerary so we can plan for your arrival. <https://medaille.forms-db.com/view.php?id=208819>. **Those students traveling via bus and train are to change their departure dates to arrive on Monday, January 24.**

Spring Semester Planning and Testing *prior* to Arrival:

Although the COVID-19 vaccines continue to perform well in terms of limiting serious illness and hospitalizations, breakthrough cases continue to occur. In addition, the new Omicron variant and uncertainty forces the College to continue to act proactively to ensure a safe return for those students in our halls this January. Testing is the most effective tool in ensuring that those entering the halls are not positive and a threat of spreading the virus within our residential community. For this reason, regardless of vaccination status, **all residential students will be required to participate in pre-arrival testing and campus testing prior to move-in**. Spring return for residential students is **Monday, January 24**.

Specifically:

- All residential students **PRIOR** to arriving to campus on Monday, January 24 **MUST** complete a COVID-19 **PCR** Test prior to arrival **and** upon their return bring the official negative test results after completing the above upload. This cannot be an at home test and must be administered through a local pharmacy, county or state site, or physician's office.
- Students should make appointments now for their PCR test to be administered **between January 18 - January 20** to ensure that the test results are available for the January 24 return. Test results where collection occurred prior to January 18 will not be accepted nor will rapid antigen test results.

- If you have tested positive over break, please use this link to submit your positive lab results. Those students that have tested positive after October 24 do not need to test. <https://medaille.forms-db.com/view.php?id=186668>.

Arrival times are as follows:

- New Resident Students to the College – **Monday, January 24, 9:00am – 12:00pm**
 - *New Resident students will be permitted to have **one vaccinated** individual (guest) to assist with moving them into their assigned space. Proof of vaccination will be required during the move-in process. Masks will be required during the move-in process for everyone. Please plan accordingly now.*
- Returning Resident Students to the College – **Monday, January 24, 12:00pm – 4:00pm**
 - *Returning resident students will not be permitted to bring any guests into the halls at the time of return for the Spring. Should there be a need for assistance, Residence Life will make accommodations as needed. Masks will be required during the move-in process for everyone. Please plan accordingly now.*
- **All students must arrive by 4:00pm and complete the arrival process to gain access to the halls. All students are to report directly to the Events Arena in the Sullivan Center upon arrival. Students' access to the halls will not be activated until they clear this health protocol.**

COVID-19 Vaccine/Booster Information:

NYS just announced that they will follow the CDC updated guidance on quarantine/isolation. Erie County has verbally indicated that they plan to as well. As soon as Erie County recognizes this guidance, vaccinated students who are eligible to receive the booster and have not, will be required to quarantine when in close contact with a positive case. **Please get your booster shots if eligible!**

Students: Like for your initial COVID vaccine, once you receive a booster you should upload the relevant documentation to this NEW student booster collection link: <https://medaille.forms-db.com/view.php?id=207555>.

If you haven't submitted your initial vaccination information to the College, we ask that you do so using the following link: <https://medaille.forms-db.com/view.php?id=179250>.

Best,



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