

UPDATED HEALTH & SAFETY GUIDELINES, March 2022

The Northern Wyoming Community College District has and will continue to regularly review all safety guidelines related to COVID-19 and make appropriate changes based on the best interest of students, employees, and visitors. Outlined below, please find guidelines that are in place for the remainder of the Spring 2022 semester and going forward into the Summer 2022 Semester (summer classes begin May 16, 2022).

Please note that guidelines are subject to change, and the most recent updates can be found at www.sheridan.edu/updates. All students, employees, and visitors to any NWCCD campus location will be expected to follow all current NWCCD health- and safety-related guidelines.

GUIDELINES, PRESENT THROUGH SUMMER 2022

- 1. In-person classes remain at full-capacity.
- 2. Classroom cleaning protocols, including cleaning checklists, will remain in place.
- 3. On-campus housing remains at regular occupancy, which includes shared rooms.
- 4. Dining and common areas are available at full-capacity during normal operating hours.
- 5. Graduation ceremonies will be conducted at full-capacity, as a ticketed event.
- 6. Internal tracking of case numbers will continue and weekly public safety announcements will continue to be shared with all employees and students.
- 7. Exception Requests for events are no longer required. Official college travel will continue to require proper authorization documents approval through the Vice President for Administration's Office.

Health & Safety Protocols

As of March 14, 2022, Wyoming Governor Mark Gordon declared an end to Wyoming's COVID-19 public health state of emergency. On March 15, 2022, the NWCCD Board of Trustees followed suit and removed the emergency declaration at NWCCD. However, through continued guidance from local, state, and national public health departments, the following health and safety protocols are considered "best practices" and will continue:

- 8. Vaccination continues to be strongly recommended, unless advised otherwise by a doctor.
- 9. When feeling ill, stay home. Self-screening is our best tool. When a student or employee has symptoms of illness or may have recently been exposed to COVID-19, the following steps are required:
 - a. If a student, employee, or visitor has recently had direct contact with a person with a pending or confirmed case of COVID-19, <u>and</u> is feeling ill or experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms, he/she should stay home. Students should contact the Student Affairs Office at (307) 675-0123 and employees should contact the Human Resources Office at (307) 675-0571 for guidance regarding their specific situation and next steps.
 - b. Quarantine is recommended whenever individuals display symptoms of illness, and NWCCD recommends following CDC guidelines. These guidelines include an option for some to only isolate or quarantine for five days rather than the full ten days. This includes wearing a tight-fitting mask while in the public on days 6-10.
- 10. Masks / face coverings are welcome, but optional.
 - a. There may continue to be additional safety-related requirements in certain academic disciplines, such as dental hygiene or nursing.
 - b. Consistent with federal guidelines and the District's priority to protect health and well-being and to avoid unnecessary educational disruptions for students, face coverings will be required by staff and students during travel to and from college-sponsored activities when utilizing public transportation and will be relaxed when CDC recommendations are amended.