

For residential students COVID-19 Precautions.

Contract January – May 2021:

SUNY Buffalo State College is providing the following addendum to the 2020-2021 COVID-19 Precautions License you signed prior to the start of the fall semester. All stipulations outlined in that document still apply

(https://residencelife.buffalostate.edu/sites/residencelife.buffalostate.edu/files/uploads/Documents/BSC_Social_Distancing_Contract.pdf). You must comply with all health and safety expectations as a condition of remaining in on-campus housing at Buffalo State for the 2020-2021 academic year. Students must also to adhere to directives of College officials.

Throughout your stay at the break and during the spring semester, students are encouraged to monitor their Buffalo State e-mail daily and frequently visit <https://coronavirus.buffalostate.edu/> to find updates related to campus announcements and notices.

I. Return to Campus

- a. All students, faculty, and staff must be pre-screened daily for travel history, COVID-19 history and COVID-19 symptoms for two (2) weeks prior to return.
- b. Students are required to complete their online daily tracker through the Weigel Health Center for 14 days prior to their spring semester move-in date
- c. Upon returning for winter and/or spring 2021 on-campus activities, any student who will (1) live on campus, or (2) take at least one class on campus, or (3) utilize services on campus (e.g. library, gym, dining), or (4) work on campus, must:
 - i. Submit an attestation that he/she/they have completed a seven (7) day precautionary quarantine prior to returning to campus; and either
 - ii. Present evidence of a negative COVID-19 test taken within three (3) days prior to return or participate in on-campus COVID-19 testing as soon as possible but no later than five (5) days of returning to campus, or
 - iii. Present documentation of a positive diagnostic result for COVID-19 from the prior 3-month period.
- d. Inform the campus of any known contacts with COVID-19 positive individuals, or of any symptoms consistent with COVID-19 or of a positive test result for COVID-19 (this notification to campus should not replace reporting to a health care provider or local health department).

II. Restricted State Travel Advisory

- a. Students, faculty, and staff who have traveled to/from restricted states/regions or to/from international locations as defined by New York State must follow the [New York State Travel Advisory](#) - whether living on- or off-campus—and attest that they have submitted the [New York Traveler Health form](#) and will follow the guidance of the governing local health department related to mandatory testing, quarantine/isolation, and timing of returning to campus.

III. Face Coverings (Masks) and Social Distancing

- a. Social distancing is a practice established to help mitigate the spread of Covid-19 (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>).

- b. In accordance with CDC Guidelines, students must remain at least 6-feet away from another person unless they are a roommate and/or family member.
- c. Face coverings (masks) must be worn by all members of the campus community on campus at all times, including in classrooms, conference rooms and other spaces, even when six-foot physical distancing exists. Exceptions to mask wearing include when students are (1) in their private residential or personal space, (2) eating meals on-campus while seated and physical distancing is appropriately enforced, or (3) by themselves.
- d. Limit any gatherings based on current CDC and New York State guidance, posted space capacity signage, and social distancing guidelines.
 - i. No gatherings of more than 10 persons is permitted even if the space occupancy would allow for it. For those stipulations below students should always wear masks, maintain appropriate distance, and limit the cumulative time that guests are present as much as possible
 - 1. For students in single occupancy rooms you are permitted to have one guest in addition to the one assigned resident
 - 2. For students in double occupancy rooms you are only permitted to have a guest when one assigned resident is in the room
 - 3. For students in Towers no more than three persons, inclusive of the residents assigned to the suite, can be present in the suite common room.
 - 4. For students in STAC and Moore no more than five persons, inclusive of the residents of the apartment can be present in the apartment common space.
 - ii. If evacuating the building you should wear your mask and remain 6 feet from others.
 - iii. If you must gather, do so in a location where you can establish distances of at least six feet between all persons and wear a mask.
 - iv. Capacity signage will be posted in all spaces.

IV. Pool Testing

- a. Buffalo State residential students on campus for the spring semester will be required to participate in regular pool testing.
- b. Students should monitor their Buffalo State email daily and report to their pool testing location as directed.
- c. Students who fail to report to pool testing are at risk of referral to Student Conduct and could have their housing license terminated.

V. Additional guidance on protecting yourself from Covid-19

- d. Wash hands regularly for a minimum of 20 seconds.
- e. Disinfect surfaces that are regularly touched (desks, electronic devices, countertops, doorknobs) you may have touched after you have left
- f. Avoid public spaces
- g. In elevators, please limit rides to one person at a time to achieve physical distancing.

VI. Compliance

- h. Students are required to complete their COVID daily tracker through the Weigel Health Center.
 - i. The Chancellor's [Uniform Sanctioning in Response to COVID-19 Student Violations](#) implementing uniform sanctions System-wide for COVID-19 related violations, remains in effect for the Winter and Spring 2021 terms and must be referenced and incorporated into the campus reopening plan.
- VII. Moving Spaces
- j. As per the On-campus Housing License (https://residencelife.buffalostate.edu/sites/residencelife.buffalostate.edu/files/uploads/Documents/RL_License_19_20_March2019.pdf) the College may relocate a licensee to another on-campus housing facility.
 - k. As other students check out of campus housing, we will clean vacant rooms as quickly as possible. **In order to reduce the number of multi-occupancy rooms, you may be reassigned to an alternate living space.** If you are assigned a new room, you will be expected to completely vacate your existing space and move your belongings to the new space **within 24-48 hours.** If you decline moving, you will be required to leave campus housing immediately and find alternate housing arrangements.

Campus officials have the right to enforce this contract at any point to reduce the potential spread of COVID-19 on campus. Failure to comply with this contract may result in Student Conduct action and/or removal from on-campus housing.

Please be advised that Buffalo State reserves the right to modify this document at any time. Updates will be communicated to all residential students via their Buffalo State College e-mail.

Please read and review the following website detailing hours for Weigel Health Center: <https://weigel.buffalostate.edu/>. You are responsible for your own health. Please follow the basic hygiene protocols for washing hands, cleaning areas after use of shared spaces, physical distancing, and wear a mask. If you don't feel well alert the Weigel Health Center immediately and remember you are required to complete the Daily Symptom Tracker every day. Some guidance on symptoms of COVID-19 is fever, shortness of breath and cough. The CDC has created a Coronavirus Self-Checker <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html> that can be used to see if you have symptoms of COVID 19. In addition, the Weigel Health Center will have a Buffalo State self-check process. More information will be released about that process in August.

By agreeing to this contract, I am agreeing to practice social distancing, wear a mask, and to comply with all policies above while on campus for the remainder of the 2020-2021 academic year. My signature indicates that I have read the expectations and understand my expectations to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 while housed at Buffalo State College.