



**CCRI COVID
STUDENT MANUAL**

Keeping you safe on campus



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The Community College of Rhode Island policies and protocols for responding to the COVID-19 pandemic are based on the core values and the mission of the college.

1

Safety First.

We will make every effort to mitigate risks to the safety and well-being of our college community.

2

Mission-Focused.

We will make decisions consistent with our mission and sustain the quality and accessibility of our academic programs and student support services while remaining nimble and adaptive.

3

Flexibility.

We will continue to be flexible as health conditions, as well as state and federal guidance related to the virus, evolve.

The following plan provides general information on policies and expectations in alignment with our priority to maintain the health and safety of our college community and beyond. The COVID-19 pandemic requires a dynamic response that continues to evolve. We will therefore update these policies and protocols as circumstances require.

SCOPE OF CCRI COVID-19 STUDENT MANUAL

While this manual was created to provide enhanced health and safety measures for our college community with the intention to mitigate the risk of COVID-19 at the Community College of Rhode Island and any potential spread within our college community, we acknowledge that elimination of all risk while still operating is impossible.

By engaging in the on-campus community of CCRI, you voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19.

Students can help keep our community healthy by being mindful of their actions, getting a COVID-19 vaccine, and following the protocols set forth in the CCRI COVID-19 Student Manual.

EXPECTATIONS AND GUIDELINES

All students, faculty, and staff are expected to comply fully with the policies, protocols, and guidelines outlined here. Failure to comply with CCRI's COVID policies may result in disciplinary actions as outlined in the Student Handbook.

VACCINE POLICY

CCRI requires all full- and part-time students enrolled for in-person classes to be vaccinated against COVID-19 or have an approved medical or religious exemption.

This policy is to help us achieve our goal of reuniting as a community where we can learn together, socialize, play sports, and more. To attend in-person classes at CCRI and to be fully involved in the many activities that enrich all of us, you must be vaccinated.

Failure to be vaccinated or have an approved exemption may result in your inability to participate in face-to-face classes, in-person activities, and campus events. Students enrolled in online courses only are not required, but strongly encouraged, to receive the vaccine.

Students must upload their vaccine information to [MyCCRI](#) within 48 hours of their first in-person class. Failure to do so may result in being dropped from all in-person classes.

TESTING POLICY

Students with medical or religious exemptions must be tested every 72 hours throughout the spring semester. Students taking online classes only who come to campus for any reason must show proof of a negative COVID test within 72 hours of coming to campus.

CCRI will offer on-site rapid testing on all four campuses throughout the semester or students can get tested at an off-campus testing center. With the on-campus rapid test, results are available in 15 minutes, which allows the college to respond quickly to a positive result. For information on off-campus testing sites, please visit covid.ri.gov/testing.

ACCESS TO CAMPUS

Students must not come to campus if they have tested positive for COVID or have COVID symptoms. Students who become sick while on campus must immediately leave the campus and quarantine.

All individuals that are not fully vaccinated are required to be COVID-19 screened upon arriving at each of our four campuses. Please plan for extra time for required COVID-19 screening. To allow for screening, access may be limited to specific entrances.

Please familiarize yourself with the questions that you will be required to answer. If you answer “yes” to any of the questions, you may not be admitted to campus.

You will be asked to complete a touchless temperature scan before you are allowed onto campus. Touchless temperature scanners will be set up at the entrance(s) of each campus. **Anyone with a temperature above 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit will not be allowed on campus.**

Students MUST show their CCRI ID to gain access to campus. If you do not have an ID, you may get one at the CCRI Campus Store on the Knight Campus.

PLEASE ALLOW FOR EXTRA TIME TO GAIN ENTRY TO THE CAMPUSES AND FOR TESTING, IF REQUIRED.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU ARE EXPOSED TO COVID-19

If you are vaccinated, you are required to get tested 3-5 days after exposure. You should monitor your symptoms and wear a mask in public indoor settings for 14 days or until you receive a negative test. You do not have to quarantine as long as you remain symptom free.

People who are not fully vaccinated should get tested immediately after being identified as a close contact. If test results are negative, they should get tested again right away if symptoms develop during quarantine or 5-7 days after their last exposure. Continue to watch for symptoms for 14 days from exposure.

CONTACT TRACING

All students, regardless if they have been on campus or not, who receive a positive COVID-19 test must isolate in compliance with the RIDOH regulations and contact CCRI's Contact Tracing team at ccrireporting@ccri.edu for further instructions and provide their name, date of birth, cell phone number, and the date they were last on campus. Students should also inform their professors if they are required to quarantine.

FACE COVERINGS/MASKS

Students are required to wear a mask/face covering over both their nose and mouth at all times when on campus regardless of vaccination status, except when eating/drinking. Students are expected to provide their own mask/face covering, however, the college will provide a mask/face covering at entry if a person comes to campus without one. Face shields without a face mask are not an acceptable face covering.



If you encounter anyone not wearing a face covering, maintain a physical distance of at least 3 feet. Please do not confront an individual who is not wearing a mask, as there may be a circumstance that prohibits them from wearing one. Students with concerns about compliance with the mask-wearing requirement should contact the [Dean of Students](#).

CLASSROOMS

All students are required to properly wear a face covering/mask in classrooms (covering both the nose and mouth). In addition, students are required to wipe down their workspace/desk at the end of each class. Cleaning supplies are provided in each classroom.

SOCIAL DISTANCING

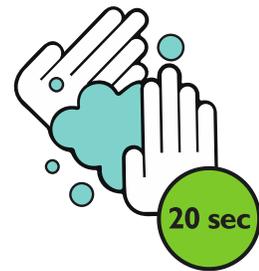
It is important to practice proper social distancing whenever possible, even when you have no symptoms. Students, faculty, and staff should follow these social distancing practices:

- Maintain social distancing whenever possible.
- Do not gather in groups that cannot comply with social distancing.
- Stay out of crowded places and avoid large gatherings.
- Do not bring children, visitors, guests, or pets to the campus without prior written approval.

HANDWASHING AND HAND SANITIZERS

Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after you have been in a public space or after blowing your nose, coughing, sneezing, or touching your face. If soap and water are not readily available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.

Hand sanitizer stations are available at multiple locations throughout the four campuses.



ENHANCED ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND CLEANING PROCEDURES

CCRI's Facilities Management Department has enhanced protocols for cleaning materials and frequency while using appropriate personal protective equipment.

In addition to CCRI's standard cleaning, the college is using CDC-approved disinfectant products to sanitize frequently-touched surfaces.

CCRI will use disinfectant mist machines that increase the number of surfaces cleaned, and ensure hard-to-clean surfaces are disinfected in classrooms before the start of the first class and after the last class of the day.



RESTROOMS

Restrooms will be cleaned twice daily and will be monitored throughout the day for additional cleaning if needed. Restroom capacity has been reduced by closing off access to certain stalls and sinks to allow for social distancing. Face coverings are also required while inside a restroom.

Hand sanitizer dispensers are located near every restroom. Individuals should use hand sanitizer before entering and after exiting the restrooms and do their best to limit touching restroom surfaces.

WATER-FILLING STATIONS

Touchless water bottle filling stations are located in the following locations:

Knight Campus:

- Ground floor by Physical Plant operations
- First floor by vending machines
- Third floor by Administration offices
- Sixth floor East corridor

Flanagan Campus:

- First floor by Enrollment Services

Liston Campus:

- First floor by Room 1142

Newport County Campus:

- Second floor by the public bathrooms

IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Campus Police

For emergencies, call 401-825-2000

For non-emergencies:

Knight Campus

401-825-2109

Liston Campus

401-455-6050

Flanagan Campus

401-333-7035

Newport County Campus

401-851-1620