



**Regent Ready: COVID-19 Preparedness Plan
Instructions for Commuter Students (Spring 2021)**

Dear Student,

We are excited to welcome you to campus this January! In order to provide a healthy and safe learning environment, the University will be implementing the Regent Ready: COVID-19 Preparedness Plan. A critical component of this plan is COVID-19 testing for all students, faculty, and staff. Every student **must** be tested for COVID-19 before returning to campus.

The University is offering students two different options for testing:

- (1) **On-site testing at Regent University.** Throughout the month of January, free COVID-19 testing will be provided to students at drive-thru stations in [parking lot “L” behind the Communication Building](#). Students must provide a valid form of identification to the testing staff on the day of testing. Valid forms of identification include a driver’s license, military ID, state-issued ID, or birth certificate. Testing staff will need to verify the student’s name and date of birth before administering the test.

Please be advised that there is a one-day turnaround time for test results. Students who elect to be tested on-site will need to stay off-campus until results are confirmed the following day. Students who do **not** receive a phone call by 2:00 PM the day after testing are clear to return to campus for classes and other functions. Only students who have a positive or inconclusive test result will be contacted by phone to discuss next steps.

The on-site testing schedule is listed below. Please note that the University will operate under a phased opening for the spring 2021 semester. Multiple testing days are available to commuting students. The Schools of Law and Psychology & Counseling will begin in-person instruction two weeks earlier than all other schools at the University.

Testing Schedule			
Group	Designated Testing Date(s)	COVID-19 Test	Clear to Return
School of Law, School of Psychology & Counseling, Approved Theatre Students, & Approved Student Workers	Thursday, 1/7	8am – 2pm	1/8 after 2pm
	Friday, 1/8	8am – 2pm	1/9 after 2pm
	Saturday 1/9	8am – 2pm	1/10 after 2pm
New & Returning Commuters – Graduate & Undergraduate	Thursday, 1/14	8am – 2pm	1/15 after 2pm
	Friday, 1/15	8am – 2pm	1/16 after 2pm
	Saturday, 1/16	8am – 2pm	1/17 after 2pm

(2) **Independent laboratory testing.** Students may elect to be tested for COVID-19 through their primary care physician, through a local department of health, or at an urgent care facility. Students must provide a negative PCR test result to Regent University prior to arrival on campus. Please note: Antigen and antibody test results will NOT be accepted as COVID-19 tests for the purpose of returning to campus.

Students opting for independent laboratory testing must adhere to the following guidelines:

- Students must be tested during the 10 to 14 day period before coming to campus.
- Students are asked to self-quarantine to the best of their ability during the 10 to 14 day period after being tested and before coming to campus.
- Students must submit a certified lab test document to Regent *prior* to arrival on campus. Documentation indicating a negative result for COVID-19 must be sent to studentlife@regent.edu from their Regent email account. Documentation can be scanned and emailed, or a student can take a picture of the certified lab document and email it to

studentlife@regent.edu. The email must include the student's full name and student ID. To avoid delays, please avoid mailing hard copies. Students will receive a reply indicating whether their submission is acceptable.

- Please note that all test result documentation will be kept confidential and stored securely in Student Services.
- Students may print off this email and provide it as proof of the University's testing requirement.

Prior to arrival, all students must read and acknowledge online in Genisys the Regent University COVID-19 Agreement that outlines expectations for safety, sanitation, and personal conduct.

Students who have been approved for early arrival will receive additional instructions in a separate email.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Student Services at stusrv@regent.edu or (757) 352-4927.

Sincerely,

Office of Student Services
Regent University

