

COVID-19 Update 11.20.2020

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Good afternoon,

I hope everyone is doing well. Please see the updates below. Any questions or concerns, please let me know. Take care and have a wonderful weekend.

Campus Statistics:

https://www.colbycc.edu/news-information/2019-20/covid-19-updates.html

Kansas Department of Health and Environment Updated Travel-Related Quarantine Guidelines (Updated Nov. 17, 2020):

KDHE is mandating a 14-day home quarantine for anyone in Kansas if an individual has:

- 1. Travel to or from South Dakota between November 4 17.
- 2. Travel to or from the countries of Belgium and Czechia between November 4 17.
- 3. Travel to or from North Dakota between October 21 November 17.
- 4. Travel to or from the country of Andorra between October 21 November 17.
- 5. Attendance at any out-of-state mass gatherings of 500 or more where you did not socially distance (6 feet) and wear
- a mask. Mass gatherings are defined as any event or convening that brings together 500 or more persons in a single room or
- space at the same time such as an auditorium, stadium, arena, large conference room, meeting hall, theater or any other
- confined indoor or outdoor space. This includes parades, fairs and festivals. Mass gatherings does not include normal
- operations of airports, bus and train stations, medical facilities, libraries, shopping malls and centers, or other spaces where
- 500 or more persons may be in transit. It also does not include typical office environments, schools, restaurants, factories or
- retail/grocery stores where large numbers of people are present, but it is unusual for them to be within 6 feet of one another

for more than 10 minutes.

6. Traveled on a cruise ship or river cruise on or after March 15.

https://www.coronavirus.kdheks.gov/DocumentCenter/View/135/Travel-Related-Quarantine-Table-PDF---Updated-11-17-20

Spring 2021 Re-Opening Plan:

The College will be disseminating a Spring 2021 Re-Opening Plan in the near future. We hope to send it to everyone before the beginning of December 2020. The College fully intends to resume face-to-face courses in the spring and participate in athletics/performance-based activities. Our primary goal is to keep everyone as safe as possible.

State-Wide Mask Mandate:

Governor Kelly issued a state-wide mask mandate on 11/18/2020. This requires all counties to go through and explore their current protocols by 11/25/2020 (there is still some level of county autonomy). The enclosed link is the Executive Order that the Governor signed.

https://htv-prod-media.s3.amazonaws.com/files/eo-20-68-face-coverings-protocol-executed-1-1605739312.pdf

Thomas County Positivity Rates:

Thomas County, KS's Positivity Rates are going down slightly (31.7%) and active cases are down from the peak numbers last week.

https://thomascountyks.gov/index.php/covid-19-information/coronavirus-updates



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