July 28, 2021

Hello, Pitt-Johnstown Resident,

Please remember all students who will be living in campus housing must provide their vaccine status (or indicate they choose not to disclose their status) to the university. The deadline to provide your status is Wednesday, August 4. Please do this at http://campusservices.upj.pitt.edu/. Instructions on this simple process are attached. We must have your vaccine status to provide you with accurate move-in dates. Students will not be permitted to move to their campus residence without providing their vaccine status. Students who choose to not disclose their vaccination status or ask for an exemption will be considered unvaccinated and will be required to complete a series of mitigation steps that all unvaccinated students will be required to complete (please see #4 below for specifics). Your status as of August 4 will determine your move-in date. If you have already provided your status, thank you!

If you are vaccinated, you must upload a photo of your vaccination card for verification. This is easily done at the UPJ Campus Services site through your phone, computer, or other mobile device. Several students have marked that they are vaccinated but failed to upload their vaccine card picture. If you did not upload your vaccine card picture, please visit the site and do that now.

Remember:
1. You can change your information on this site if your vaccine status changes (not vaccinated to partially vaccinated, partially vaccinated to vaccinated, etc.). We appreciate the most current information possible.
2. Vaccines are not required but strongly recommended for your safety and the safety of our campus community. If you are not vaccinated but planning on getting vaccinated, please don’t delay – do it now (in order to allow enough time to complete the full vaccination process)! Vaccines are safe and effective and there are documented increases in infection rates and illness among unvaccinated people.
3. If you are vaccinated, campus life will be much more normal with the only current mitigation measure in place being the required wearing of face coverings inside of campus buildings.
4. If you are an unvaccinated resident student, there are several mitigation measures in place to ensure our campus is as safe as possible. Some examples of these required mitigation efforts include:
   a. 7-day shelter in place prior to arrival,
   b. a negative test to move to campus (administered within 5 days of your arrival),
   c. early arrival and shelter in place period while on campus for at least 48 hours with another negative test (or 7 days if you do not get a negative test) to allow participation in in-person activities (classes, Orientation, student activities),
   d. required periodic COVID-19 testing during the semester,
   e. required quarantine if identified as a close contact of someone who tests positive for COVID-19 or isolation if you test positive,
f. unvaccinated students will not be permitted to move onto campus without providing proof of a negative test result (more information on this testing process will sent via email within the next several days),
g. remote learning will not be an option for students in quarantine, or isolation, and
h. unvaccinated students must wear masks at all times on campus including outdoors

Please see this site for the communications sent previously for complete information: https://www.johnstown.pitt.edu/housing-services.

Please understand that these mitigation measures and plans have been put in place by the University of Pittsburgh and are being enforced at all Pitt campuses for the fall semester.

Thank you and I look forward to seeing you on campus in a few weeks.

Sincerely,

Christian J. Stumpf,
Vice President for Student Affairs