

## Ursuline College COVID-19 Acknowledgment Language for Students

As State and local health authorities begin to loosen restrictions to allow for a responsible restart of Ursuline College's offices and educational services, the College has put in place measures to meet the public health standards for general office environments and services. The College will need to adapt our educational spaces and practices to minimize health risks, including accommodations for vulnerable members of our community. From physical distancing and work, academic, and other gathering spaces, to taking steps that every member of the College community will need to take to protect ourselves and others, including wearing masks, sanitizing our hands and work surfaces, and checking our symptoms daily.

For our employees, the College will require all employees to wear facial coverings, except under certain circumstances identified by the Ohio Department of Health. Employees will be required to perform daily symptom assessments and will need to stay home if they are symptomatic. Employees are required to engage in regular handwashing. And the College will continue to provide hand sanitizer in high contact locations and to engage in additional cleaning for high touch items.

For students and guests, we will require that you maintain a minimum of six feet between your colleagues and the College employee, to wear face coverings at all times, unless in a private residence hall room, or outside of a building. Students will be asked to perform a daily symptom assessment and to stay at home or their residence hall and not attend courses if they are, or suspect that they are symptomatic. Daily symptoms assessments should include taking your temperature with a thermometer and monitoring for fever. The Ohio Department of Health also asks that you watch for "coughing or trouble breathing."

We ask that you contact Deanne Hurley, Vice President for Student Affairs [dhurley@ursuline.edu](mailto:dhurley@ursuline.edu) or 216.225.1036 (cell phone), should you require an academic accommodation or are unable to attend courses. If you develop symptoms, we ask that you isolate immediately and seek medical care. Similar to the requirements for employees, the local health district must be informed if you have a suspected case or believe that you have been exposed to COVID-19. We would ask that you work with the College and local health department to identify potentially infected or exposed individuals. We will all work together to help facilitate effective contact tracing and notifications.

Please know that following Centers for Disease Control and Infection Guidelines and the continuously evolving guidelines from State and local health officials will permit the College to continuing to offer educational services while adhering to applicable health standards.

By acknowledging below, you agree to abide by these standards and any additional standards that are published by the College on the College's COVID-19 website <https://www.ursuline.edu/student-life/coronavirus>.

A failure to abide by these requirements may result in employment or disciplinary action for an employee or student. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact one of the following:

Deanne Hurley, VP for Student Affairs, [dhurley@ursuline.edu](mailto:dhurley@ursuline.edu) 216.225.1036 (cell)  
 Gina DeMart-Kraus, Director of Residence Life, [gdemart@ursuline.edu](mailto:gdemart@ursuline.edu) 440.221.2814  
 Dr. Pat Sharpnack, Dean of the Breen School of Nursing, [psharpnack@ursuline.edu](mailto:psharpnack@ursuline.edu)  
 440.684.6032

***Acknowledgment and Release***

I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that I may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by being on campus and that such exposure or infection may result in serious illness and death. I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, College employees, volunteers, guests, and students.

I voluntarily agree to assume all of the these risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that I may experience or incur in connection my attendance at the College (“Claims”). I release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless the College, its employees, agents, and representatives, of and from the Claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. I understand and agree that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of the College, its employees, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in any College program.

I acknowledge that I am accepting and agreeing to this Acknowledgment and Release through an electronic signature, which shall be treated the same as if it was an originally hand-signed contract.

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Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

If the above-named Student is not 18 years of age on the above date, a parent/guardian signature must also appear on this Acknowledgment and Release indicating acceptance of the terms and conditions herein. **For those students under the age of 18, please sign and have your parent/guardian sign and bring your completed form to Pilla 205 or mail back to:**

**Deanne Hurley  
 Ursuline College  
 2550 Lander Road  
 Pepper Pike, OH 44124**

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Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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