



# **GENERAL SAFEGUARDING AND POLICIES**

## **COVID-19**

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## **PURPOSE OF POLICIES**

These policies (the “Policies”) have been prepared to inform students, faculty, staff, regulatory bodies and the general community about Jersey College’s policies and procedures that are being implemented with regards to protecting our community against the spread of COVID-19.

The underlying principle for these Policies is that a safe learning environment requires personal responsibility. Individuals must maintain social distancing, appropriately use personal protective equipment (“PPE”) and be accountable for self-isolating. Through personal responsibility, risks can be reduced and in-person campus activity can resume.

These Policies are a living document and as such, Jersey College may change, delete, suspend, or discontinue parts of the Policies in response to changes in our environment and our need to promote the health and safety of our community. At all times, Jersey College shall comply with all applicable requirements set forth by the federal government, states and regulatory bodies.

Jersey College is not responsible or liable for errors, omissions or other data which may alter the meaning or context of the policies in these Policies. Every effort is made to see that the policies and rules in this document are accurate and the most current versions available; however, some lapses may occur between adoption and posting/distribution of new rules and policies.

The term “individual” utilized in this Policies means individually and collectively any Jersey College student, faculty, staff member, or visitor to the College.

Recommendations or suggestions for improvements and suspected violations of the policies and procedures in this document should be forwarded via email to [CAO@jerseycollege.edu](mailto:CAO@jerseycollege.edu).

## SUMMARY OF POLICIES

The following provides a summary of the COVID-19 policies and procedures with respect to promoting the health and safety of individuals at Jersey College. This summary is not a complete description of the COVID-19 policies and individuals are required to review and read the actual policies to ensure compliance.

### *General Policies*

	<b>Unvaccinated Individuals and Vaccinated Individuals</b>
<b>COVID Positive</b>	Mandatory 10-day quarantine.
<b>International Travel</b>	Mandatory 10-day quarantine. International travel is highly discouraged and the mandatory quarantine may result in administrative leaves of absence for the term due to missed coursework.
<b>Mask Wearing - Indoors</b>	Masks <b>MUST</b> be worn at <b>ALL</b> times while in a building
<b>Mask Wearing - Outdoors</b>	Masks may be removed while on campus in outdoor areas.
<b>Physical Distancing</b>	Physical distancing is expected to be maintained at all times while on campus, both inside and outside. In the event physical distancing is not possible, dividers or barriers should be used.
<b>Daily Health Screenings</b>	Daily health screenings and attestations will continue to be required prior to participating in any Jersey College activity.
<b>Eating and Drinking</b>	Students are <b>NOT</b> allowed to eat or drink in any building. Eating and drinking is permissible outside of the building (subject to physical distancing requirement above).
<b>Practice Healthy Habits and Be Respectful</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor your health, and if you have any symptoms listed on the COVID-19 symptom list, do not come to campus.</li> <li>• Respect and honor members of the Jersey College community who wish to maintain their personal space.</li> </ul>

**Community Learning Spaces:** The college is reopening all community learning spaces, subject to the following requirements:

<b>Space</b>	<b>Masks</b>	<b>Physical Barrier or Face Shield</b>
<b>Class Rooms</b>	Required at all times	Recommended when social distancing is not possible
<b>Simulation Labs</b>		
<b>Study Rooms</b>		
<b>Lounges</b>		
<b>Computer Labs</b>		
<b>Library</b>		
<b>Office Meetings (Admissions, Financial Aid, Counseling, etc.)</b>		

***Vaccinated vs. Unvaccinated Policies***

	<b>Unvaccinated and Non-Fully Vaccinated Individuals</b>	<b>Fully Vaccinated Individuals<sup>1</sup></b>
<b>Domestic Travel<sup>2</sup></b>	Mandatory 10-day quarantine restriction, which may be reduced to 7 days pending results of testing. Travel is highly discouraged and the mandatory quarantine may result in administrative leaves of absence for the term due to missed coursework.	No quarantine requirement, unless symptomatic
<b>Close Contacts</b>	Mandatory 10-day quarantine restriction.	<p><i>Close Contact within Household (i.e., at home):</i> Mandatory five-day quarantine requirement with a negative COVID-19 result when returning to the college on the 6<sup>th</sup> day.</p> <p><i>Other Close Contact (i.e., at work):</i> No quarantine requirement, unless symptomatic</p>

<sup>1</sup> An individual is considered fully vaccinated two (2) weeks following receipt of the second dose in a 2-dose series, or two (2) weeks following receipt of one dose of a single-dose vaccine, and have received any required boosters.

<sup>2</sup> Non-contiguous state from which the campus is located.

# GENERAL SAFEGUARDING

## I. FUNDAMENTAL SAFETY PRINCIPLES

The health and safety of our community is a shared responsibility with (i) Jersey College developing guidelines, assessing effectiveness, and communicating requirements and recommendations, and (ii) students and staff proactively following the health and safety precautions and reporting instances of non-compliance. The three fundamental tenants of our Plan are:

- Maintain social distancing;
- Use personal protective equipment; and
- Be accountable.

### *Social Distancing*

Social distancing means maintaining a minimum distance from others as recommended by the Center for Disease Control (“CDC”). The CDC recommends maintaining a minimum distance of three (3) feet. Social distancing is recommended in all areas on campus where it is feasible. This includes hallways, outdoor areas and parking lots. Where the core function of a work activity or instruction requires a shorter distance of three (3) feet or it is not possible to maintain such distance, individuals should maintain as much distance as reasonably possible and when possible, utilize physical barriers to promote separation.

### *Personal Protective Equipment*

- Masks and Cloth Face Coverings: Masks or cloth face coverings are required to be worn at all times while an individual (student, faculty, staff or guest) is within a building of the College. Masks are optional (but recommended) outside of buildings. Masks or cloth face coverings must cover the nose, mouth, and chin. Masks or cloth face coverings may be temporarily removed by faculty or staff while within the privacy of their own office and provided no other person is within three (3) feet.

Jersey College may provide students, faculty, and staff with a cloth face covering. Such individuals may utilize the provided cloth face covering or their preferred covering provided such covering meets [standard health guidelines](#). Masks with an exhalation valve or vent may not be used on campus. Students, faculty, staff and visitors are responsible for ensuring such face coverings are in good condition (no rips, tears, etc.) and that they are cleaned regularly (e.g. washing a cloth mask with warm water and soap after each use). Sharing of masks or face coverings is prohibited.

Jersey College will provide a disposable mask to visitors who do not have their own.

From time to time, the College may require students, faculty and staff to double mask – that is, wear a surgical mask such as a KN-95 mask or N-95 mask, and a cloth mask. In such case, Jersey College will provide the surgical mask.

Any individual who is unable to wear a mask or cloth face covering due to disability (such as an underlying health condition) should [request an accommodation](#).

- **Face Shields:** Jersey College may provide students, faculty and staff with a face shield. When a physical barrier is not available and instruction requires less than three (3) feet of distancing, Jersey College recommends that individuals wear a face shield. Students, faculty and staff are responsible for ensuring that their face shields are in good condition and that they are cleaned regularly (e.g. wiping of shield with a disinfectant wipe or with soap and water after each use). Sharing of face shields is should not occur. In addition, wearing a face shield alone is not acceptable; a mask must be worn with the face shield.

### ***Accountability***

To prevent the spread of COVID-19 all students, faculty, staff and visitors to a campus are required to take the following [preventive actions](#) recommended by the CDC: (i) avoid close contact as much as possible, (ii) clean hands often; (iii) avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands; (iv) frequently clean and disinfect surfaces, and (v) monitor your health. In addition, to limit COVID-19 transmission the College has measures in place to provide a clean and sanitized environment. As such, the following accountability policies have been developed:

- **Washing of Hands:** All individuals should wash their hands (i) before eating or preparing food; (ii) before touching their face; (iii) after using the restroom; (iv) after leaving a public place; (v) after blowing their nose, coughing, or sneezing; (vi) after handling their mask and/or face shield; (vii) after caring for someone sick and (viii) after touching animals or pets. Washing of hands involves the use of soap and water for at least 20 seconds or if soap and water are not readily available, a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol. When using a hand sanitizer, cover all surfaces of your hands and rub them together until they feel dry.

The College will stock all bathrooms with soap, paper towels, and trash receptacles. In addition, alcohol-based hand sanitizer dispensers have been installed throughout each campus in hallways, common areas, elevator areas, and/or staircases. Soap and paper towels will be refilled during regular bathroom cleanings. If any soap, paper towels, and/or alcohol-based sanitizer is running low or empty, students, faculty, and staff should notify their Campus.

- **Cleaning and Disinfecting of Surfaces:** All individuals should clean and disinfect equipment and personal items prior to bringing such items into a campus. These items include laptops, cellphones, pocketbooks and other personal items. Jersey College requests that students, faculty, staff and visitors limit bringing outside personal belongings into the building to essential items only. Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to bring disposable cleaning wipes to the campus each day and utilize such wipes as needed. Due to allergies and other issues, students, faculty and staff (other than maintenance staff) may not utilize aerosol sprays or bleach products in buildings. The College will clean, maintain and otherwise sanitize each campus on a regular basis.

- Monitor Health. Individuals planning to enter a campus must perform a self-screen prior to coming onsite and should not attempt to enter the campus if any of the following are present: (i) symptoms of COVID-19 (cough, shortness of breath, loss of smell or taste), (ii) fever equal to or higher than 100.4 F, (iii) are under evaluation for COVID-19 (for example, waiting for the results of a viral test to confirm infection) or (iv) have been diagnosed with COVID-19 and are not yet cleared to discontinue isolation.

All individuals entering a campus will be subject to a health screening by the College (see Screening, Testing and Contact Tracing Protocols below).

## II. BUILDING SAFETY PRINCIPLES

The following building safety practices and procedures should be followed to promote compliance with our fundamental principles related to physical distancing requirements, protective equipment and personal accountability:

- Entry and Exit. Where feasible, a single point of entry and a single point of egress should be identified and utilized in all buildings. The single points of entry should occur through the main entrance and a check-in point should be maintained at that entry point. This check-in point should be utilized for the screening and testing processes described below under Screening, Testing and Contract Tracing Protocols. Campuses should be prepared to open additional entry and egress points if necessary to avoid crowding.
- Personal Protective Equipment. Appropriate face coverings (see above) are required to be worn at all times by students, faculty, staff and visitors while in the building. Failure to wear or properly secure face coverings may result in individuals being denied access to the building or removal from the building.
- Communication. Signage should be posted throughout each campus to remind personnel to adhere to proper hygiene, social distancing rules, appropriate use of PPE and cleaning/disinfecting protocols.
- Food and Drinks.
  - Students may not drink or eat food in any building. Eating and drinking is permissible outside of each building (i.e., at a picnic table, under a tree or in a car). Students are encouraged to maintain at least three (3) feet of social distance and wear face coverings while not actively eating or drinking outside of the building.
  - Faculty and staff may bring food and drinks into a building, however, such food and drinks must be consumed in a private office or designated breakrooms. No food or drinks may be consumed in classrooms, common areas or multiple gathering areas (including faculty rooms, conference rooms, etc.). Moreover, in all locations, no other individual should be in the room when such food and/or drinks are consumed. Masks or cloth face coverings may only be removed temporarily to eat or drink, and only when no other person is in the room.

Faculty and staff should clean surfaces in the designated breakrooms prior to and after utilizing the room.

- Signs and Posters. Signs and posters should be displayed on each campus and include messages about: (i) required masks or face coverings; (ii) maintaining and promoting social distancing (three feet); (iii) recommending reduced occupancy in elevators; (iv) encouraging good hand and respiratory hygiene practices; (v) proper hand washing instructions and (vi) capacity in study rooms and break rooms.
- Doors. To the extent possible, doors within each building should be propped open in order to limit the need to touch additional surfaces.
- Non-Instructional Gatherings and Meetings. In-person, non-instructional group gatherings and meetings at campus should be limited and only utilized when absolutely necessary. Such meetings may instead be conducted virtually (Zoom, Conference Calls, etc.) when and where possible.
- Personal Hygiene. All individuals entering a building and upon exiting the building should wash their hands using the hand sanitizer stations at the campus or utilize soap and water in the bathroom. Handwashing is recommended when entering and existing a classroom. All washing of hands (sanitizer or soap and water) should be completed in accordance with standard health practices. These practices are outlined in the instructions and demonstration videos under Training below.
- Cleaning and Disinfection. Buildings should be maintained by Jersey College in accordance with the CDC and DOH cleaning and disinfection guidelines contained in "[Guidance for Cleaning and Disinfection of Public and Private Facilities for COVID-19.](#)" Maintenance should include the following:

To further promote sanitization in classrooms and offices, individuals may use cleaning wipes on their desks/workspaces before and after use.

### **III. COMMUNICATION**

Changes in policies and procedures related to COVID-19 and health and safety protocols at each campus will be communicated through (i) e-mail, (ii) text or (iii) Jersey College's website (<https://www.JerseyCollege.edu/covid19/>).

### **IV. TRAINING**

Students, faculty and staff should complete Jersey College's virtual COVID-19 health and safety training. The health and safety training includes instruction on donning of personal protective equipment, handwashing and other techniques. The health and safety training course is available through CANVAS®.

In addition to the virtual health and safety training, all individuals should also review the following videos and topics:

- [Donning Personal Protective Equipment \(Video\)](#)
- [Masks, Goggles and Face Shields: Using in Sterile and Certain Medical Procedures \(Instructions\)](#)
- [Performing Antiseptic Handwashing \(Video\)](#)
- [Performing Hand Antisepsis: Alcohol-Based Rub \(Video\)](#)
- [Standard Precautions \(Instructions\)](#)
- [Applying nonsterile Gloves \(Video\)](#)
- [Gloves, Nonsterile: Using \(Instructions\)](#)

## **V. VIOLATIONS OF POLICIES**

Individuals who violate any policies or procedures in this document; engage in irregular behavior, or misconduct inconsistent with this policies and procedures in this document; and/or do not follow warnings to discontinue inappropriate behavior may be removed from a building, placed on probation or leave or be terminated from the College.

# QUARANTINE PROTOCOLS

## I. GENERAL QUARANTINE

There is a mandatory 10-day quarantine restriction (i.e., access denied from participating in on-campus activities) for all individuals that determined to be COVID-19 positive. For students, the mandatory quarantine may result in administrative leaves of absence for the term due to missed coursework. For faculty and staff, the mandatory quarantine will result in a required leave from the College (see handbooks for additional information). The College may require individuals returning from a mandatory 10-day quarantine restriction to provide a negative COVID-19 (PCR or Rapid) test prior to return.

## II. SCREENING

### *COVID-19 Questionnaire*

All students, faculty, staff, and visitors are required to complete a health screening assessment (the “COVID-19 Questionnaire”) before entering any campus building. A new questionnaire must be completed each day that the individual will be on-site. The COVID-19 Questionnaire **should be completed prior to arriving** at the campus.

The COVID-19 Questionnaire contains the following questions:

1. Have you been in close contact in the last 10 days with someone who has symptoms of COVID-19 or has tested positive for COVID-19 (other than in the capacity of an essential worker and provided such care was undertaken using appropriate PPE and following standard health and safety procedures for essential healthcare workers providing COVID-19 care)?
2. Is your body temperature 100.4 F or higher?
3. Have you tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 10 days?
4. Have you had any of the following symptoms of COVID-19 in the last 10 days?
  - Fever or chills
  - Cough
  - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
  - Fatigue
  - Muscle or body aches
  - Headache
  - New loss of taste or smell
  - Sore throat
  - Congestion or runny nose
  - Nausea or vomiting
  - Diarrhea
5. Have you traveled within the past 10 days (i) internationally, (ii) via cruise ship, or (iii) to a non-contiguous state from which the campus is located?

The College has developed a mobile-app for completion of the COVID-19 Questionnaire. The app includes the questions above. After the completing the questions individuals will

receive a QR Code that must be scanned for entrance. To the extent that an individual answers Yes to a question, the College will discuss the answer and ability to participate in on-campus activities.

If an individual experiences issues with the mobile-app questionnaire then a paper version must be completed. The paper COVID-19 Questionnaire will be provided by the campus. Such paper COVID-19 Questionnaire will be collected and reviewed at the main entrance prior to individuals being permitted entry into a campus.

Individuals entering the building simultaneously should maintain appropriate distancing; to promote such distancing, the College will place distancing marks on the floor at entry points.

All visitors are required to complete a paper version of the COVID-19 Questionnaire. In addition to the above information, the paper forms will include the date and time the visitor arrived on campus, along with the visitor's phone number. The College may contact the visitor for additional information about individual interactions, buildings and rooms entered, and length of time on campus, if necessary.

### ***Temperature Checks***

In addition to the COVID-19 Questionnaire, the College will be conducting temperature checks (may be all individuals or random testing) on individuals seeking to enter the campus utilizing a non-contact forehead thermometer. These screenings will be conducted on a self-service stand-alone thermometer or through a hand-held thermometer utilized by a College representative. This non-contact thermometer will also be available for the completion of the COVID-19 Questionnaire for those individuals who are unable to take their temperature at home. The College is responsible for maintaining the sanitation of the thermometer – disinfectant wipes and other appropriate cleaning supplies will be utilized for such purpose.

### **III. TESTING**

The College advises any student, faculty, or staff member who:

- is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms;
- has been in close contact with any individual who has tested positive for COVID-19 or is displaying symptoms of COVID-19;
- is an essential worker (e.g. health care worker or transit worker);
- has recently been in a large crowd or area where it was difficult to maintain social distancing; and/or
- has recently traveled from a country or state with high COVID-19 infection rates

to reach out to their healthcare provider and get tested. The following links provide information regarding testing sites:

### **Campus Locations**

[New Jersey](#)

[Florida](#)  
[Indiana](#)

### **Other Surrounding States**

[New York](#)  
[Connecticut](#)  
[Pennsylvania](#)  
[Georgia](#)

To locate testing sites in states not listed above, the College recommends that students, faculty and staff utilize the following search terms in a web-browser -- “State Name” “COVID-19” “Testing Sites”.

Any individual who begins to experience COVID-19 symptoms while on campus must promptly notify the Campus Administrator of their condition via email.

Ewing Campus:	<a href="mailto:EWAdmin@JerseyCollege.edu">EWAdmin@JerseyCollege.edu</a>
Fort Lauderdale Campus:	<a href="mailto:FLLAdmin@Jerseycollege.edu">FLLAdmin@Jerseycollege.edu</a>
Fort Wayne Campus:	<a href="mailto:FTWAdmin@Jerseycollege.edu">FTWAdmin@Jerseycollege.edu</a>
Jacksonville Campus:	<a href="mailto:JAXAdmin@JerseyCollege.edu">JAXAdmin@JerseyCollege.edu</a>
Largo Campus:	<a href="mailto:LARAdmin@JerseyCollege.edu">LARAdmin@JerseyCollege.edu</a>
Port Charlotte Campus:	<a href="mailto:PCHAdmin@JerseyCollege.edu">PCHAdmin@JerseyCollege.edu</a>
Tampa Campus:	<a href="mailto:TPAAdmin@JerseyCollege.edu">TPAAdmin@JerseyCollege.edu</a>
Teterboro Campus:	<a href="mailto:TEBAdmin@JerseyCollege.edu">TEBAdmin@JerseyCollege.edu</a>

In addition, when possible the individual should immediately leave the campus and return to their home or seek medical assistance. Individuals who develop symptoms while on campus and are unable to immediately leave the campus must temporarily quarantine themselves in the closest private room/area or outside (weather permitting and if the campus has outdoor seating). Such individuals are required to temporarily remain in the quarantine room (or area) until transportation can be arranged – such transportation will include an ambulance for those individuals requiring immediate medical assistance or arranging for pickup by a family member, friend or car service for non-emergency symptomatic individuals.

Each campus should designate at least one (1) room on the campus as an emergency quarantine room. In addition, each campus must maintain an emergency response kit for allowing interaction with a symptomatic individual. This kit should include the following Personal Protective Equipment - N95 masks, disposable gloves, face shields and medical gowns.

Promptly after being notified of a symptomatic individual, the College should undertake the following additional steps:

- Identify rooms/areas that the symptomatic individual attended;
- Clear such rooms/areas;
- Close the rooms/areas and block access when possible;

- Arrange for appropriate cleaning (after a safe period of time, per CDC guidelines); and
- Initiate contact tracing by contacting their state, county and/or local health department.

#### **IV. CONTACT TRACING**

Contact tracing refers to the process of quickly identifying and isolating a patient's recent contacts in order to locate individuals who might be at risk for contracting COVID-19. Each state and/or county department of health have established protocols for contact tracing according to professional public health standards. Jersey College will provide contact tracing support for state, county, and local health departments with regards to any individual that has tested positive for COVID-19. Support information that will be provided by the College is listed below. As part of participation in educational activities at the College, all faculty, staff, and students agree to comply with contact tracing protocols in order to improve the College's ability to contain potential flare ups of COVID-19 quickly and effectively. The College will continue to investigate, evaluate, and deploy technologies which may support and enhance contact tracing, including but not limited to data management software, wifi tracking, and mobile phone applications aimed at automating parts of the contact tracing process as they become available.

To assist with contact tracing by local health departments and states, the College will maintain completed COVID-19 Questionnaires. In addition, the College will maintain rosters and room assignments (when possible).

To further limit the spread of COVID-19, the College may, in consultation with state, county and/or local health departments, conduct interviews with suspected or confirmed positive COVID-19 individuals. The purpose of these interviews is to identify rooms and areas the COVID-19 positive individual used and individuals that were in close contact. Students, faculty and staff are required to participate in such interviews as a condition of entry to the campuses and participation in educational activities.

Unless required otherwise by state and/or local departments of health under emergency guidelines, Jersey College will utilize FERPA guidelines for students and the general employer-employee rules of confidentiality contained in the Staff Handbook for the release of any and all information related to COVID-19.

## V. TRAVEL GUIDELINES AND RESTRICTIONS

Students, faculty and staff should avoid travel interstate and international travel; travel should only occur where absolutely necessary. Students, faculty and staff are advised that travel (voluntary or involuntary) may result the individual being denied access to participate in on-campus activities.<sup>3</sup>

- A. International Travel. International travel is strongly discouraged. There is a mandatory 10-day quarantine restriction (i.e., access denied from participating in on-campus activities) for all international travel. For students, the mandatory quarantine may result in administrative leaves of absence for the term due to missed coursework. For faculty and staff, the mandatory quarantine will result in a required leave from the College (see handbooks for additional information).
- B. Domestic Travel for Unvaccinated or non-fully Vaccinated Individuals: Domestic travel to non-contiguous states is strongly discouraged for unvaccinated individuals. There is a mandatory 10-day quarantine restriction (i.e., access denied from participating in on-campus activities) for all domestic travel to a non-contiguous<sup>4</sup> state for unvaccinated or non-fully vaccinated individuals. For students, the mandatory quarantine may result in administrative leaves of absence for the term due to missed coursework. For faculty and staff, the mandatory quarantine will result in a required leave from the College (see handbooks for additional information).

The mandatory 10-day quarantine restriction for unvaccinated or non-fully vaccinated individuals traveling to a non-contiguous state may be reduced to seven (7) days if the individual undertakes the following:

- Within three days before returning to the state of the individual's home campus takes a COVID-19 PCR test
- Quarantines at home for four (4) days
- On day four (4) of quarantine, takes an additional PCR COVID-19 test

and both PCR COVID-19 tests are negative ("Negative Travel Tests").

In such case, the traveler may return and participate in on-campus activities after seven-days of quarantining.

- C. Domestic Travel for Vaccinated Individuals: Individuals are considered fully vaccinated two (2) weeks following receipt of the second dose in a 2-dose series, or two (2) weeks following receipt of one dose of a single-dose vaccine, and have

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<sup>3</sup> Students will be considered absent (without an excuse) for all on-campus activities as a result of such denial. Faculty and staff will be considered absent (without an excuse) from work and will be required to utilize sick, personal, vacation or other accrued or available time in order to be paid. Further, this denial of access may result in termination or withdrawal from a program of study or a course for students, or termination of employment for an employee.

<sup>4</sup> Non-contiguous state from which the individual's home campus is located.

received any required boosters. Individuals that have been fully vaccinated (and travel domestically (whether to a contiguous state or a non-contiguous state) do not need to quarantine, unless the individuals develops or displays COVID-19 symptoms. In cases of COVID-19 symptoms, the individual must quarantine for 10-days (i.e., individual access will be denied from participating in on-campus activities), unless the individual provides the College with a negative PCR COVID-19 test. For students, any such mandatory quarantine may result in administrative leaves of absence for the term due to missed coursework. For faculty and staff, any such mandatory quarantine will result in a required leave from the College (see handbooks for additional information). Vaccinated individuals need to provide the College with vaccination documentation to avoid the mandatory quarantine and testing described in B above.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, in all cases, Jersey College's travel guidelines require students, faculty and staff to take personal responsibility for compliance with COVID-19 protocols recommended by the CDC during their travels.

## **VI. CLOSE CONTACTS**

Unvaccinated and non-fully vaccinated individuals that are determined to be close contacts of a COVID-19 positive case, must quarantine for 10-days (i.e., individual access will be denied from participating in on-campus activities). For students, the mandatory quarantine may result in administrative leaves of absence for the term due to missed coursework. For faculty and staff, the mandatory quarantine will result in a required leave from the College (see handbooks for additional information).

Fully vaccinated individuals that are determined to be close contacts of a COVID-19 positive case do not need to quarantine unless (i) the individuals are symptomatic or (ii) the close contact results from a contact within their household. Fully vaccinated individuals that are symptomatic must quarantine for 10-days (i.e., individual access will be denied from participating in on-campus activities), unless the individual provides the College with a negative PCR COVID-19 test. Fully vaccinated individuals that are close contacts within the same household must quarantine for a minimum of five-days. Such individuals may return to the College on the 6<sup>th</sup> day provided that the individuals provide the College with a negative COVID-19 test (PCR or Rapid) and such test was conducted on or after such 5<sup>th</sup> day. For students, any such mandatory quarantine may result in administrative leaves of absence for the term due to missed coursework. For faculty and staff, any such mandatory quarantine will result in a required leave from the College (see handbooks for additional information).

## **VII. BUILDING ADMITTANCE**

Any student, faculty, staff member or visitor:

- (i) Answering “Yes” to any question in the COVID-19 Questionnaire,
- (ii) Registering a body temperature greater than 100.4 or
- (iii) Displaying COVID-19 symptoms upon check-in

may NOT be permitted entry into the campus and will be sent home. The Campus Director (or in his/her absence the Dean of Nursing) will determine in their best judgment whether an individual answering “Yes” may be allowed entry based on additional discussions and implementation of accommodations (where necessary). The right of entry may not be challenged.

## **VIII. VACCINATION PROTOCOLS**

Jersey College encourages all members of our community to receive a vaccination for COVID-19. The following vaccination standards apply for on-campus and clinical activities.

On-campus Activities: A COVID-19 vaccination is not required at this time to participate in on-campus activities.

Clinical Activities: Students, faculty and staff may be required to vaccinate to the extent that an affiliated clinical site requires such vaccination for participation in practicum activities. In such required vaccination cases, students that choose not to vaccinate will be responsible for finding and participating in an approved preceptorship experience (instead of direct instructor College based clinical) to meet course objectives. Students that are unable to find an alternative practicum experience will either be placed on a limited leave (to provide additional time to find an alternative experience and/or become vaccinated) or withdrawn from the College.

As a result of changes in state regulations and healthcare policies, students enrolling in programs that begin on or after October 4, 2021 in New Jersey will be required to provide proof of vaccination as a prerequisite for enrollment and registration in coursework at the College.