

Office of Student Rights & Responsibilities

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COVID-19 Safety Protocol Student Non-Compliance Reporting Guidelines

It is critical for the continued health and safety of our campus community that everyone follows university COVID-19 safety protocols and public health guidelines. All students are expected to comply with the protocols set forth by the university. Failure to do so may result in student conduct action.

General Guidance

To ensure students are aware of the campus's COVID-19 safety protocols, faculty and staff are encouraged to include clear and consistent information on syllabi, Canvas sites, and other materials and to communicate regularly about these protocols in their respective learning environments. Campus protocols may be subject to change if conditions warrant. Please visit Cal Poly's <u>Coronavirus website</u> for the most current campus practices. The <u>CTLT</u> and <u>Academic Affairs</u> websites also provide helpful resources for COVID-19 safety protocols.

Vaccinations

Faculty and staff cannot ask about or discuss a student's COVID-19 vaccination status or request proof of vaccination. Some students will have a medical or religious exemption from vaccination requirements. Cal Poly's COVID-19 Vaccine webpage provides more information on the vaccination requirement.

Face Coverings

Cal Poly recommends but does not require masks be worn indoors, except in health care settings. This applies to all students, employees, and visitors, regardless of vaccination status. Faculty and staff should not infer anything about vaccination or health status based on a student's decision to mask. For the most current face coverings requirements, please visit the university's <u>Face Coverings webpage</u>.

Daily Health Screening and Campus Pass

All currently enrolled students accessing campus may choose to complete the <u>daily</u> <u>self-screener</u>. Students who misrepresent their campus pass status are in violation of the student code of conduct and should be reported to OSRR.



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Visit the <u>COVID-19 Self Screening webpage</u> for more information on the daily health screener and the campus pass.

Isolation

Students who have tested positive for COVID-19 are expected to isolate in place, report the result in their daily self-screening, and await instructions from COVID-19 Help. A student who fails to adhere to isolation guidelines may be subject to suspension or expulsion from the University. The <u>Student Quarantine and Isolation Guide webpage</u> provides information for students who receive a positive test, exhibit symptoms, or have been in close contact with someone with the COVID-19 virus.

Reporting Non-Compliance

Faculty and staff should use the public reporting form found on the OSRR website to report an allegation of COVID-19 safety protocol student non-compliance. OSRR will determine specific next steps relative to the information provided in the report.

Generally, OSRR will provide students several opportunities to comply with all COVID-19 safety protocols after an incident report has been received. Below are some approaches OSRR may take when responding to an allegation of non-compliance:

- First time incidents of non-compliance will result in a letter from OSRR to the student reminding them of the COVID-19 safety protocols and the need to comply.
- Depending on the severity of the reported behavior of non-compliance,
 OSRR may invite a student into a meeting for a first-time allegation of non-compliance with COVID-19 safety protocols.
- Repeated incidents of non-compliance will result in a second letter in an
 escalating tone highlighting the importance of compliance and explaining
 that if additional allegations of non-compliance are made to OSRR, then the
 student will confront more severe outcomes resulting from the judicial
 process.

Ongoing incidents of non-compliance will result in an OSRR investigation and could yield sanctions, both