# Community Standards Addendum: COVID Policies

The guidelines below have been added to the Stetson University Code of Community Standards in response to COVID-19 to increase awareness, understanding, and safety among students and the university community. These guidelines are effective immediately as of August 2021. We also want to remind you that the Code of Community Standards applies to student behavior on and off campus. Anyone failing to adhere to the below guidelines will be referred to the Office of Community Standards to go through a formal hearing process. Students are expected to keep up to date on university updates and policies regarding COVID-19 and follow all policies released. All COVID-19 information can be found on the Stetson University Coronavirus Communication website: https://www.stetson.edu/other/covid-19/. Coronavirus policies and this addendum will be updated as needed. While we ask community members to address each other with concerns as much as possible, any community member wanting to report a concern for you or someone else in the Stetson community regarding COVID-19 can do so at the Stetson University Report It Website: https://www.stetson.edu/other/report-it/.

**Student Rules of Conduct**

1) Facial Coverings
   a) Facial coverings are mandatory only in classrooms and individual offices or residential spaces, based on individual preference

2) Testing, Reporting Symptoms and Tracing
   a) Students are expected to report relevant sick symptoms (even if vaccinated), possible exposures to COVID-19, and positive COVID-19 test results. Students may report in the following ways:

      i) Filling out the Stetson University: COVID-19 Report a Concern form (Stetson.edu/reportit)
      ii) Calling Stetson University Health Service (386-822-8150- if symptomatic)
      iii) Calling public Safety (386-822-7300) if after university business hours

   b) Students should report any concerns for other community members who they believe have been exposed, have tested positive, or are experiencing relevant sick symptoms.
   c) Students are expected to be fully honest in the tracing process regarding interactions they have had with other Stetson community members. Failure to be fully honest and compliant in the tracing process will result in an allegation from the Office of Community Standards
   d) Unvaccinated individuals are required to participate in gateway testing
   e) Mandatory testing may be required.

3) Isolation/Quarantine
   a) If unvaccinated, a community member may be required to isolate from the community as a preventive measure to keep the community safe. Isolating may require a student to temporarily relocate to a different residential space on campus. Isolating may require a commuter student not to come to campus
      i) Any student who meets the criteria set by the Department of Health (DOH) and Center for Disease Control (CDC) for isolation/quarantine must comply fully with requests of DOH, Stetson Health Service and the Dean of Students Office.
         (1) Currently this includes individuals who show relevant sick symptoms and someone who tests positive for COVID-19.
         (2) Students may be temporarily relocated to another residential space for a mandated isolation time.

(a) Roommates and suitemates of students who need to be isolated/quarantined may also be required to move rooms.

ii) Students must be cleared by Stetson Health Service to return to residential space and regular campus interactions.

(1) Students may be offered medical amnesty if through contact tracing activities they could be found to be violating the Code of Community Standards

(2) Although a community standards violation may not be alleged, an educational conversation may still be required.

**Individual Student Sanction Information**

If a student is found responsible for violating the Code of Community Standards, sanctions can range from a warning to disciplinary action including but not limited to disciplinary probation, residential suspension, interim suspension, suspension, and expulsion. Educational sanctions will be used as needed and at the discretion of the hearing officer. Due to the serious nature of COVID-19 and safety concerns for the community, it is probable that sanctions could result in more severe sanctions than a traditional conduct case. A student found to be violating COVID policies may be given an interim suspension from campus until the community standards case is resolved. For more detailed sanction information, please review the full Stetson University Code of Community Standards on the Office of Community Standards website.

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