



Essentials of Reopening

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Contact Public Safety with questions.

COVID19.Health@anokaramsey.edu

When on campus, even for a short duration, all individuals entering campus must review the self-screening checklist prior to entry. Health screening questions are posted at entry, along with directives to not enter the building if you are sick, or have symptoms of COVID-19. It is the responsibility of individuals coming to campus to review these questions and to not enter campus if their answers direct them to stay home.

If an individual becomes sick during the day, they should leave campus immediately, or stay in the isolation room until they are able to exit campus.

Completion of work and follow-up after classes/labs. At the conclusion of in-person, face-to-face activities students and employees should:

- Wash their hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds before leaving the area or building.
- Monitor their health, and report any COVID-related symptoms to their faculty or supervisor, and seek medical attention as symptoms warrant.
- If you wear a cloth face covering, wash it often. This is especially important after any tactical training exercises that involve direct contact with other students or faculty.

Vaccination. Vaccination is the best precaution we have against COVID-19 transmission, variant spread, and severe illness, hospitalization and death due to COVID-19. Anoka Technical College and Anoka-Ramsey Community College do not require faculty, students, or staff to be vaccinated, but campus community members are highly encouraged to complete a COVID-19 vaccination series as soon as possible. Those who are fully-vaccinated are at far lower risk of contracting the virus and of experiencing severe illness. "Fully-vaccinated" means at least 14 days after receiving the second dose of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine, or at least 14 days after receiving the single dose of the Johnson and Johnson vaccine. Information, data, and guidance for COVID-19 vaccine in Minnesota can be found at <https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/vaccine/index.html>.

Masks. Individuals who are not vaccinated still risk getting and spreading COVID-19, and should wear a mask, and stay 6 feet from others. Individuals who are vaccinated do not need to wear a mask, but may wish to wear one, and are welcome to do so.

Handwashing/Etiquette. Individuals should wash their hands or use sanitizer at the access point. Individuals are instructed to wash their hands for at least 20 seconds with soap and water frequently throughout the day, but especially at the beginning and end of their time on campus, prior to any mealtimes and after using the restroom. Individuals are also instructed to cover their mouth and nose with their sleeve or a tissue when coughing or sneezing and to avoid touching their face, in particular their mouth, nose and eyes, with their hands.

Social distancing. Social distancing remains an important precaution for mitigating transmission of COVID-19. Where possible on campus, social distancing will be encouraged through the following engineering and administrative controls:

- Employees and students will be reminded on access control measures, for safety and security.

- Employees and students are asked to maintain distance between colleagues and visitors, where feasible.
- Flow plans will include signage for foot traffic to **stay to the right** in hallways and corridors.
- Seating arrangements will be adjusted to promote extra spacing, where possible. Faculty are encouraged to assign seats and/or partners to aid in contact tracing, if necessary.
- Meeting hosts are encouraged to consider conducting meetings virtually.
- Remind team members and students to honor posted signage for closed-off areas on campus.
- Provide teams/students with key contact numbers in the event of an emergency or for questions regarding protocols in place for the COVID-19 pandemic environment.

Classroom/Lab Cleaning/Disinfecting. Cleaning supplies for wipe downs will be provided as needed in classrooms for voluntary use by faculty and students, and PPE will be used as appropriate. Only use campus-provided cleaning supplies/sanitizer; if you have questions contact Facilities. Facilities will complete cleaning during their routine cleaning schedule.

Confirmed COVID-19 Case Protocol. MDH will provide guidance and direction on informing individuals if they have been exposed to a person with COVID-19 on campus (generally in close contact with someone for an aggregate 15 minutes or more), requiring them to follow quarantine guidelines. In many cases, those who are fully-vaccinated will not need to quarantine. MDH is the lead agency for confirmed cases of COVID-19, and they enact contact tracing and investigation of confirmed cases. Reports of a confirmed case of COVID-19 or a potential on-campus exposure should be made to supervisors and to Public Safety at COVID19.Health@anokaramsey.edu.

Training. Additional communication and training will be ongoing using email and website postings.

Minnesota COVID-19 helpline: 651-297-1304 or 1-800-657-3504

MDH Vaccine Connector: <https://mn.gov/covid19/vaccine/connector/connector.jsp>

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