

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- **What is SwabSeq?**

It is a saliva test that checks for the virus that causes COVID-19. It's approved for emergency use by the FDA and is as sensitive as the tests used at public health testing sites. It's easier and more comfortable than doing a nasal swab test and only takes a few minutes to provide a sample.

- **Do I have to pay for it?**

As part of an effort to provide a safer campus experience, the test is provided to you at no cost. No insurance needed.

- **Is the test mandatory?**

No, but as part of an effort to provide a safer campus experience and flatten the curve, it's highly recommended.

- **Why should I get screened on a regular basis?**

Several studies have shown that many individuals, especially young adults, may have no symptoms when infected. Regular screening testing may help identify those individuals early to prevent further spread.

- **How often do I need to get screened and why?**

Students living on campus are recommended to get tested twice a week because somebody with COVID-19 could be contagious 2 days before being diagnosed (e.g. Having a positive test without symptoms) or 2 days before experiencing COVID-19 symptoms.

- **What is the difference between diagnostic and screening testing?**

**Diagnostic testing** is for when someone might have Covid-19 based on their symptoms or may have been around somebody who has recently been diagnosed with Covid-19.

**Screening testing** is for when somebody does not have any symptoms or has not been around somebody who has recently been diagnosed with Covid-19. Screening testing is performed to identify persons who may be contagious so that measures can be taken to prevent further transmission.

- **Do I still have to get screened if I already had COVID-19?**

**YES**, if it has been > **90 days** since your positive Covid-19 test or Covid-19 diagnosis.

**NO**, if it has been < **90 days** since your positive Covid-19 test or Covid-19 diagnosis.

- **Do I still have to be screened after being vaccinated?**

**YES.** The COVID-19 vaccines are highly effective at preventing severe symptoms. However, there is a small chance you could contract COVID-19 without feeling sick and be contagious after being vaccinated.

- **Do I still have to do the health screener if I participate in screening testing?**

Yes, since it's part of keeping the campus safer, especially at the testing site.

- **When and where will I get my results?**  
You can expect to receive your results in about 24-48 hours via text and/or email.
  
- **What happens after I receive my results?**
  - **If you receive a positive result**, do not report to campus or leave your residence if you live on campus. A medical provider will contact you to provide additional consultation and isolation instructions, initiate incident investigation, and answer any questions you may have.
  
  - **If you receive a negative result**, no further action is required.
  
  - **If your result is delayed or returns as insufficient**, you should continue to report to campus as scheduled. In advance of your next testing appointment, please consider the specimen collection tips to improve your sample. If you receive two insufficient sample results, please call Student Health Services **(909) 869-4000** for further consultation.
  
  - **If you receive an inconclusive result**, please make an appointment at Student Health Services **(909) 869-4000** to re-test on the next business day after you received your result. You may report to campus pending the results of the second test. However, continue to monitor for any symptoms. Maintain practicing physical distancing, masking, and proper hand hygiene.
  
- **I'm worried I might get exposed at the testing site. How is the test being provided safely?**
  1. Students must complete the screener to ensure those who are suspected to have COVID-19 isolate immediately and not show up at the testing site.
  2. The process is quick.
  3. Everyone follows the public health guidelines of being at least 6 feet apart, wearing masks while waiting, and hand hygiene. Several hand sanitizing stations will be available on site.
  4. Workers wear masks and face shields. They sanitize their hands often, especially when handling any testing material and sanitize after every participant at the collection station.
  5. Collection areas are wiped down after every use with disinfectants that are FDA approved to eliminate germs, especially the virus that causes COVID-19.
  
- **Where is it located?**  
Housing Multi-Purpose Room (MPR) 100 next to Vista Market.
  
- **Will the testing site be open even when it's raining?**  
Yes.
  
- **What if I have a question that's not in the FAQ?**  
Call Student Health Services **(909) 869-4000**.