

SPC Emergency Preparedness

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Hurricane Season (June 1 - Nov. 30)

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 NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER
UPDATES

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January 17, 2023

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Hurricane season runs from June 1 through Nov. 30. During this time, SPC officials closely monitor [Pinellas County Emergency Management bulletins](#) and official weather forecasts when SPC falls within the National Hurricane Center's zone of landfall probability. By doing so, SPC will have time to activate the college's [Emergency Management Plan](#), alert campus personnel, recommend protective actions, including evacuations, and communicate emergency notifications.

To prepare, you should:

- Check with your supervisor for SPC's emergency procedures for your department.
- Read the [Emergency Response procedures for weather emergencies](#).
- Update your personal Emergency Cell and Text options in [MySPC](#) to be sure you receive official college communications during storms.
- Review your [personal hurricane plan](#).

Types of messages

Emergency communications during hurricane season could include:

- Recommended actions to take when the college is monitoring a storm
 - Recommended actions to take when the college is preparing for a storm
 - What to do when an evacuation is ordered
 - Ways to stay in touch with the college during a storm
 - When the college anticipates reopening
 - What to do if the college is closed for an extended period
- In the event of a closure, campuses will reopen only after the college damage assessment and recovery teams have surveyed the damage and re-powered critical systems.

Information regarding re-openings will be provided through:

- this blog
- the college toll-free number: **866-822-3978**
- SPC e-mail
- local media outlets.

The college president has authority to close the college or cancel classes. The college is required to close when an official state or local governmental agency issues a mandatory evacuation order for Pinellas County. Beginning in 2010, the [evacuation zones](#) for 73,000 property parcels in Pinellas County changed because of new ways of collecting storm data.

CURRENT WATCHES, WARNINGS OR ADVISORIES FOR PINELLAS COUNTY

[Rip Current Statement issued January 26 at 3:17AM EST until January 26 at 7:00PM EST by NWS January 26, 2023](#)
...HIGH RIP CURRENT RISK REMAINS IN EFFECT THROUGH THIS EVENING... * WHAT...Dangerous rip currents. * WHERE...Pinellas, Coastal Hillsborough, Coastal Manatee, Coastal Sarasota, Coastal Charlotte and Coastal Lee Counties. * WHEN...Through this evening. * IMPACTS...Rip currents can sweep even the best swimmers away

CURRENT WEATHER

[National Hurricane Center](#)

[National Weather Service Tampa Bay Area Forecast](#)

SPC RESOURCES

[SPC Instructional \(Academic\) Continuity Plan for Faculty](#)

[SPC Instructional \(Academic\) Continuity Plan for Students](#)

[SPC Payroll Continuation Plan](#)

[SPC's Emergency Plan and ICS Overview for Employees](#)

[SPC's Emergency Response procedures for weather emergencies for employees](#)

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT RESOURCES

CORONAVIRUS COVID-19

COVID-19 Update Aug. 22, 2022

UPDATE

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As we continue to adapt to the COVID-19 pandemic, the safety of all Titans remains the highest priority of St. Petersburg College.

Face coverings at St. Petersburg College are now optional. Individuals may choose to wear them at any time based on their own preference and informed by their personal level of risk. Please follow CDC guidance on face coverings at www.cdc.gov.

While SPC does not require face coverings in its buildings, some clinical, lab and studio spaces will require them by nature of the work performed in those areas. Those spaces will be marked as such.

We understand that our students, faculty and staff may have varying risk levels and ask that, in the spirit of our Community of Care at SPC, all Titans please remain mindful of others and provide them social distance or accommodate their requests to wear a face covering when in close proximity.

We will continue to monitor and make adjustments to our face covering protocols as necessary if there are changes in community transmission rates, future waves, new variants or other changes in risk factors.

For additional information on other college protocols and prevention strategies, please make sure you to consult and bookmark the college's COVID-19 Hub for the latest information.

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[Florida Division of Emergency Management](#)

[Hillsborough County Fire Rescue Office of Emergency Management](#)

[Manatee County Emergency Management](#)

[Pasco County Emergency Management](#)

[Pinellas County Emergency Management](#)

[Sarasota County Emergency Management](#)

HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

[Federal Emergency Management Agency – Are you Ready?](#)

[Find your evacuation zone and shelter options in Pinellas County](#)

[Florida Division of Emergency Management Disaster Preparedness](#)

[News Channel 8 Tampa Weather](#)

[Pinellas County Emergency Information](#)

[Pinellas County Emergency Management's Prepare Ahead](#)

[Tampa Bay Times Hurricane Guide](#)

STORM RECOVERY

[After the Storm – Pinellas County Emergency Information](#)

[Disaster Assistance – Pinellas County](#)

[Recovery Resources – Florida Division of Emergency Management](#)