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# **SPC UPDATES**



## **COVID-19 UPDATE AUG. 22, 2022**

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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.

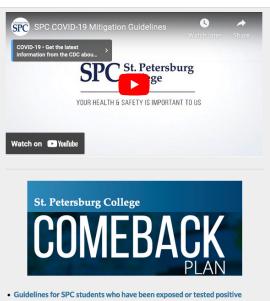
Face coverings at St. Petersburg College are now optional. Individuals may choose to wear them at any time based on their own preference and informed by their personal level of risk. Please follow CDC guidance on face coverings at <a href="https://www.cdc.gov">www.cdc.gov</a>

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.



Guidelines for SPC employees who have been exposed or tested positive

# LATEST ANNOUNCEMENTS



# FREE COVID AT-HOME TESTS AVAILABLE

At-home COVID tests are now available to every household in the U.S. for free. Please see the COVIDtests.org site for full details. SPC employees are eligible for additional tests and can find information here.





## **COVID-19 VACCINES IN FLORIDA**

Get the latest information and updates regarding COVID-19 vaccinations on the Pinellas County COVID-19 website or Florida Department of Health website.



#### **RENTAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE IN PINELLAS COUNTY**

Financial help is now available for Pinellas County residents who have lost their jobs or have had a significant reduction in income due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Applications are now open for the Pinellas County Emergency Rental Assistance Program. Learn how to apply here.



#### **VACCINES FOR HOMEBOUND PINELLAS RESIDENTS**

The Pinellas County Urban League is offering to bring and administer vaccines to homebound residents of Pinellas County. Qualifications include: must be age 60 or over and must: need assistance of another person when leaving home or use medical equipment (wheelchair, walker, crutches), or have a medical condition that will worsen if you leave home, or it is difficult or you are unable to leave your home. The service is free and no insurance is required. For more information, call 727-253-8445.



#### **FALL TERM FEE INFORMATION**

Due to ongoing health precautions involving COVID-19, some classes during the Fall 2022 Term will be offered online or LIVE Online, which includes a virtual classroom experience. Some classes, originally scheduled as face-to-face courses, have been switched to one of these formats. These changes will affect the total fees students will be charged. A \$15 per credit hour fee will be added for all online and LIVE Online classes. This fee, outlined under Florida statute, goes toward technology needs and additional costs associated with offering these types of class formats. Lab fees will not be charged for face-to-face classes now offered online. See the full schedule of fees.

Please consult our financial aid page, which outlines all the ways to help pay for an education at SPC, including our tuition payment plan and scholarships. Students also should be sure to fill out their FAFSA, as well. For questions, please contact our financial aid team.



#### BEWARE OF EMAIL SCAMS ADVERTISING WORK-FROM-HOME EMPLOYMENT

Students at Florida colleges and universities should be on the lookout for emerging work-from-home employment scams. Florida Attorney General Ashley Moody has issued a consumer alert regarding scammers who are targeting students through emails that appear to be sent from a college or university advertising fictitious work-from-home employment opportunities. The scammers obtain personal information from the student while posing as a university representative. Savvy scammers convince students to cash counterfeit checks and send them the money. Learn more about the current scam and tips to avoid these types of employment scams. If you believe you are the victim of hacking or a COVID-19 related scam, you should contact the Florida Attorney General's Office at 866-9NO-SCAM or MyFloridaLegal.com.



#### STUDENT LOAN FORBEARANCE

Federal student loan payments are temporarily suspended. Questions? Contact i3 Group. Need details? See Coronavirus and Forbearance Info.



#### **RESOURCES FOR SPC STUDENTS**

Discover all of our resources for receiving college services and taking your classes online. See our resources.

#### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Academics	0
Communications	0
Events and Closings	0
College Response	0
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