



SAFETY IN MOTION

QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

Mississippi Valley State University is actively working to ensure a safe and healthy environment as we welcome you back to the campus:

Safety

- Temperatures checks will be enforced at the front entrance of campus.
- A **mask** or face covering is **mandatory** and should be worn in these locations regardless of physical distancing:
 - HALLWAYS • ELEVATORS • STAIRWELLS • BATHROOMS • WORK SITES • CONFINED WORKSPACES • CLASSROOMS/ LABS • STUDY AREAS • FACE-TO-FACE MEETINGS
- Conduct a daily self-assessment prior to leaving your home or residence hall. This should include a temperature check as well as a review of identified symptoms of COVID-19
- COVID-19 symptoms include cough, shortness of breath/difficulty breathing, chills, muscle pains, sore throat and loss of taste or smell.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds; Use hand sanitizers with at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Practice social distancing by maintaining a distance of at least 6 feet from other individuals at all times.
- “Exposure” is defined as being in direct contact with someone who is positive, within 6 feet of the positive person, not wearing a mask, and for at least 15 minutes.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces, including keyboards, phones, writing utensils, handrails and doorknobs
- Stay home if you are sick and get medical care, as needed
- Inform your supervisor if you have a sick family member at home with COVID-19
- Avoid using other individuals’ phones, desks, offices, or other office/ work tools and equipment, when possible. If necessary, clean and disinfect them before and after use
- Office doors may be locked to better manage access and traffic in offices; call ahead to make an appointment
- Limit visits to buildings and offices.

- New University ID cards will be issued to all employees and students; IDs must be displayed at all times.
- A vehicle decal is required for all motor vehicles on campus.
- Signage placed throughout buildings outlining cleaning and social distancing procedures set by the CDC.
- Contact Human Resources (employees) for the latest guidance on personal and medical leave, if needed
- Contact Student Affairs (students) if you have questions about your safety.
- Do your part to help keep our campus community safe and healthy!

Academics

- Classes will begin Monday, August 17th, and end on Monday, November 23rd.
- All classes will be listed as online or hybrid in Banner.
- Select class meetings will be face-to-face; classroom capacity restrictions apply for social distancing.
- Enhanced cleaning will take place in all instructional spaces (classrooms and labs).
- Additional hand sanitizer dispensing stations will be available.

Residence Halls

- Adjusted residence hall move-in schedule. Procedures will allow for staggered times and limited interactions.
- Students will be taught the proper use of PPEs and symptoms of COVID-19.
- New sessions for residence hall students regarding how to keep individuals healthy.
- Virtual mandatory residence hall meetings.
- Placement of additional hand sanitizer dispensing stations.
- Continuing to encourage social distancing.
- Signage placed throughout buildings outlining cleaning and social distancing procedures set by the CDC.



Athletics

- July 20, 2020, the SWAC postponed all fall sports (football, cross county, soccer and volleyball).
- All student-athletes will return to campus with non-student athletes the week of August 10, 2020.
- Enhanced education for athletes regarding new protocols, procedures and guidelines in regards to athletic related activities such as volunteer workouts, practices and competition.
- Athletes will adhere to staggered times in weight rooms, locker rooms, meeting rooms, etc.
- All active athletic facilities will be sanitized regularly.
- All athletes will be required to be thermal temperature checked daily and uploaded into the ATS portal.
- Hand sanitizer dispensing stations will be available in all facilities.
- Adhere to the student-athlete social-pledge (wear your mask, wash your hands, and watch your distance).
- Signage placed throughout buildings outlining cleaning and social distancing procedures set by the CDC.

Student Activities

- Events and programs will move to online and virtual formats as much as possible
- Student organization sponsors can run student organizations as close to normal with some alternate implementation of virtual opportunities and best practices to ensure the health and safety of all parties involved.
- Additional hand sanitizer dispensing stations will be available.
- Social distancing will continue to be encouraged when possible.
- Signage placed throughout buildings outlining cleaning and social distancing procedures set by the CDC.

On-Campus Dining Operations

- Students must have current valid student ID card to enter the cafeteria during normal operating hours
- All meals will be on carry-out only option until further notice

- Students will be given a specific time to enter & pick up their meals (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner & Brunch)
- Social Distancing will be enforced and maintained

Campus Operations and Offices

- Offices will be open Monday-Thursday from 8 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Friday from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
- If requested, Zoom technology will still be utilized for scheduled meetings.
- Plexiglass protective shields are being installed in the front areas of high traffic offices.
- The Fitness Center will operate following MSDH and CDC guidelines.
- The Child Development Center will operate following MSDH and CDC guidelines.
- Masks will be required for the general public visiting all locations on campus.
- Large gatherings and events will follow MSDH and CDC guidelines.

Monitoring

- A system will be implemented for students and employees to self-report.
- The current system allowing employees to self-report and track symptoms will be enhanced.
- All monitoring and procedures will follow guidelines by the MSDH and CDC.

Important Contacts

- Human Resources: 662-254-3781 or email to ejhurssey@mvsu.edu
- Student Affairs: 662-254-3527 or email to rbailey@mvsu.edu
- COVID-19 Response Team: 622-254-3804 or email to edevans@mvsu.edu

More information will continue to be released regarding operating procedures.