

COVID-19 Update – March 3, 2022 – Clarification

The Province of Ontario is lifting more of its COVID-19 public health measures effective **Tuesday, March 1, 2022**. Here is what you need to know:

Vaccination Status/Vaccine Passport

Chief Medical Officer of Health for Ontario, Dr. Keiran Moore, has confirmed the vaccine mandate has been rescinded for colleges. **Canadore College will maintain its COVID-19 vaccination policy until April 30, 2022.**

Access to Campus

All Canadore College Campuses remain in restricted access. All students and guests of the college must be currently registered in a Canadore College program, or accessing the campus for academic programming, a specific event, or obtaining pre-arranged support or services through a College department.

The COVID-19 Self-Assessment tool is available on the Canadore Safe App (available from the App Store or Google Play). **Self-assessment must be completed prior to accessing the campus. The College will continue to provide active screening until Monday March 7, 2022, at which time security will be responsible for educating everyone entering of the updated protocols.**

Ongoing self-assessment is critical and will confirm if you:

- are not experiencing **ANY** COVID-19 symptoms; and
- have not been in close physical contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19.

Masking Requirements

Canadore students and employees will be required to wear a 3-layer procedure mask while on campus. This protocol will remain in place until Public Health Ontario rescinds the requirement. **Canadore College will supply all those entering campuses with an approved 3-layer procedure mask.** Until further notice, cloth masks will not be permitted.

No additional Personal Protective Equipment is required where individuals are masked.

Winter 2022 Academic Delivery Plan

In order to ensure consistency for our students, **the current academic delivery model will remain in place until the end of the Winter 2022 semester, which is in April for most programs.**

- All theory instruction will be delivered remotely, unless otherwise communicated by the concerned program team.
- All practical “hands-on” instruction will be delivered on campus, as scheduled, and in-person attendance is required.

- Faculty members are encouraged to post any change of program delivery on their course D2L news page.

Note: Exceptions can be requested. Occupational Health and Safety and the Vice-President Academic will determine if such requests will be approved.

Other on-campus activities

- The Fitness Centre will reopen with regular hours and capacity limits lifted.
- Following OCAA guidelines, spectators can return to campus for athletic activities.
- The rental of the College Drive Campus gym to outside groups can resume.
- Ongoing compliance with specific industry guidelines such as dental hygiene standards are still required.

Meals and Dining Areas

- Only one person is allowed at each table with their mask off.
- The cafeteria and Twiggs will remain open for service. Please continue to monitor social media for weekly menus and service hours.
- Ongoing enhanced cleaning and sanitization will continue in the cafeteria as well as general campus and academic areas.

Isolation Requirements

- Employees and students who are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms (most common: fever/chills, cough, shortness of breath, decrease/loss of smell or taste, extreme tiredness not associated with a pre-existing condition) should assume they have a COVID-19 infection and must not attend campus.
- Isolation requirements compliant with Ontario Public Health remain in place.
Employees and students must self-isolate for at least 5 days beginning the day after known exposure, the onset of symptoms, or a positive rapid antigen test and until your symptoms have been improving for 24 hours (48 hours if gastrointestinal symptoms) prior to returning to campus.

Academic Field Trips - Academic field trips may resume with restrictions, **with approval from the Senior Team.**

For Employees only - Canadore's Working Remote Pilot program will continue. Please refer to your manager for how this may affect your team and more specifically, your schedule for on campus attendance.