Your health and well-being remain top priorities at NIU, and we’re here to support you. The success of our semester requires that all community members follow public health guidelines.

When you’re participating in face-to-face classrooms or other in-person academic activities:

- Upon entering any building on campus, wear a mask. Masks should be close-fitting over the nose and mouth with straps wrapped around the ears. Bandanas and neck gaiters are not acceptable.
- Wear a mask in the classroom.
- Follow any assigned seating rules.
- Practice social distancing in the classroom and in corridors.
- Read your NIU emails and texts, and make sure your address in MyNIU is up to date so we know where we can reach you. The best way to keep COVID-19 off our campus is to stay informed and vigilant.

If you have COVID-19 symptoms, have been exposed to the virus or have tested positive with the virus:

- Complete the COVID-19 Screening Checklist at go.niu.edu/covid-checklist.
- Stay home or in your residence hall room, contact your health provider and self-quarantine or isolate. Do not come to campus.
- Students living on campus should use their floor Teams site to notify their Community Advisor of their situation.
- Alert your professor. If you feel well enough, you can keep up with schoolwork from home if possible.
- Notify your supervisor if you have a job on campus.
- Do not come back to campus until you’ve been cleared by a health care professional. The university will inform your professor once you’ve been cleared to return.

If your instructor or a fellow student has COVID-19 symptoms, has been exposed to the virus or has tested positive with the virus:

- The individual will follow the same procedures as outlined above.
- Per public health guidelines, if all students and faculty in your classroom have been wearing masks and practicing physical distancing, you should not be at risk.
- If public health officials have a concern that you might have been exposed, they will contact you.
- Please treat the privacy of others across our campus and community with the same consideration you would hope to receive.

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