

## Spring 2021 Start-Up Plan

In accordance with the SUNY COVID-19 surveillance testing and spring return requirements, Westchester Community College's plans are as follows:

- Westchester Community College does not have residence halls; accordingly, there is no process for students to request permission to remain on campus after the fall semester ends and there is no plan for quarantine and isolation space on campus.
- The first day of instruction has been postponed to January 25. Hybrid classes will begin remotely and will not be held in person prior to February 1. Any exceptions will be submitted according to the protocol set forth by the SUNY Provost's office.
- Spring break has been cancelled. The spring term ends on May 9 as previously scheduled.
- Employees who are scheduled to come to the main campus or extension locations will be COVID-19 PCR tested the week of January 17 and then every four weeks thereafter for the entirety of the spring semester.
- Students enrolled in courses that have instruction at the main campus or an extension location will be identified and COVID-19 PCR tested in the period of January 29, 2020 through February 5, 2020; and thereafter students who are scheduled to come to campus in the spring semester will be tested every four weeks for the duration of the spring semester.
- For every student and employee entering any college location, and in addition to a temperature check, we continue our practice of a questionnaire that collects information on travel history, COVID-19 history, and COVID-19 symptoms. This will serve as the student attestation that he or she is not coming onto campus having been knowingly or recently exposed to COVID-19. Many students are post-traditional learners attending in-person classes also work in industries with strict health safety standards and practices, such as healthcare and culinary arts. All students are commuter students, which makes it necessary to collect this attestation every time they enter a college location throughout the spring semester 2021.
- The college's surveillance testing plan will remain in effect: 100% of students and employees regularly coming to campus will be tested every four weeks.
- All safety practices will remain in place, including maximum campus capacity limits restricting access to pre-determined levels only and classes that require in-person instruction and the many other distancing, cleaning, and testing strategies already deployed. More information about WCC's Pandemic Response and Recovery Plans and their specific safety protocols and programs can be found at <https://www.sunywcc.edu/about/updates-from-the-college/>.
- The executive leadership of the college has conferred with the college's faculty and staff unions during the development of these plans.