

Indoor Masking Policy

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In-Person Classes, Exams, and Events Where In- Person Attendance Is Mandatory	Mask Rule for Indoor

continue to offer in-person classes and minimize the transmission of COVID-19 and chances for a cluster outbreak on campus.

2. Application

- a. **Not dependent on vaccine or booster status:** The masking rules are not dependent on an individual's vaccine or booster status.
- b. **Voluntary masking welcome:** Southwestern continues to recommend and encourage individuals to wear masks voluntarily when indoors with others, especially if an individual has not been fully vaccinated or is at higher risk of serious negative outcome if they contract COVID-19. No one should be marginalized or made to feel unwelcome because they choose to wear a mask.
- c. **Type of mask:** When a mask is required, individuals must wear an N95, KN95, or KF94 mask. When a mask is not required, a person choosing to wear a mask may wear any type of mask or face covering they choose, including cloth and surgical masks.
- d. **Outdoors:** While individuals are always welcome to wear a mask outdoors, masks are not required outdoors, and this policy is limited to mask-wearing indoors.
- e. **Residences at 7th:** Individual apartments in the Residences on 7th are not covered under this policy, but common areas within the Residences on 7th are covered by the policy.
- f. **Mandatory group events that individuals must attend in person:** Indoor group events that students or employees must attend in person can be deemed mandatory only by the following individuals: President and Dean; a Vice Dean; Associate Dean for SCALE; Associate Dean, Dean of Students and Diversity Affairs; or Associate Dean for Student Affairs.
 - i. Faculty may designate class-related events, such as a review session, as "mandatory" without administrative approval if a remote option is offered.
 - ii. Student organizations may designate an event as "mandatory" for its members if a remote option is offered.
 - iii. Employee-supervisors may designate in-person department or unit meetings as "mandatory" for their staff members but should be sensitive to the needs of those they supervise.
 - iv. Individuals with an approved Southwestern accommodation to attend classes or work remotely will not be required to attend any events in person.

- From Day 1 through Day 10, the close contact must wear an N95, KN95, or KF94 mask while indoors on campus in common

The Administrative Services Office also has a small supply of KN94 masks that employees may request in lieu of KN95 masks.

The Security desk in the Bullocks Wilshire and the Administrative Services Office in Westmoreland each have a small supply of extra masks for individuals who might need one when accessing campus.

7. Unmasking Indoors While Actively Eating or Drinking

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Appendix A: Phases and Detailed Masking Rules

Phase	Mask Rule for In-Person Classes, Exams, and Events Where In-Person Attendance Is Mandatory	Mask Rule for Indoor Common Areas (including Library, Elevators, Hallways, Tea Room, Fitness Center, non-mandatory indoor events)	Mask Rule for Close Contacts Returning to Campus	Mask Rule for Individuals Returning to Campus After Testing Positive for COVID-19
Low	<p>Masks not required but recommended and welcomed.</p> <p>See Section 2(f) of this policy for a description of mandatory events.</p> <p>No requirement for a certain type of mask, so individuals may wear cloth or surgical masks, although Southwestern continues to highly recommend N95, KN95, and KF94 masks.</p>	<p>Masks not required but recommended and welcomed.</p> <p>No requirement for a certain type of mask, so individuals may wear cloth or surgical masks, although Southwestern continues to highly recommend N95, KN95, and KF94 masks.</p>	<p>For 10 days after the last day of exposure, a close contact of someone who has tested positive for COVID must wear an N95, KN95, or KF94 mask while on campus and in any non-private indoor space.</p> <p>See Section 4(c) of this policy and the current Southwestern COVID FAQs for more details about close contacts, https://www.swlaw.edu/SWPolicies.</p>	

Appendix