



## Fall 2022 Health and Safety Guidance

**Palomar College continues to remain focused on the health and safety of all students and employees. While facial coverings are no longer required indoors, they are highly recommended. The College will continue to monitor COVID-19 related data, and if necessary, our health and safety guidance will be updated.**

### **District Wide COVID-19 Mitigation and Prevention Initiatives**

#### **Daily Health Questionnaire Required**

All employees, students and visitors are required to answer the daily health questionnaire in Cleared4 prior to coming on-site to the main campus or education centers. Students and employees will use their personal Cleared4 link, visitors can use the QR code or link found [here](#). Campus Monitor Check-In stations are set up at each of our libraries by the front entry. Students and visitors will be required to show their Cleared4 clearance to obtain a daily clearance bracelet, from the Campus Monitors, when visiting the libraries.

Employees may ask students to see their Cleared4 pass or use a class roster to view Cleared4 status. Supervisors are required to check employee clearance daily through the Cleared4 report located in the Management Teams folder or by asking to see their Cleared4 pass. Continued or deliberate attempts to not follow the daily health screening protocol will be addressed by the appropriate administrator.

#### **COVID-19 Vaccination Events**

Although not required to be onsite, vaccination remains the top preventative measure against COVID-19. The College continues to recommend that all employees and students be fully vaccinated for COVID-19. Vaccination events are held regularly, and the schedule is available on [this webpage](#).

#### **Increased Signage and Safety Measures**

Signage is placed at entries and high traffic areas to notify all students, employees, and visitors of the recommendation to wear a facial covering indoors. In addition, our facilities department has provided additional safety measures at all campus locations, these include:

- Hand sanitizer stations in high traffic areas at the main campus and education centers
- Air scrubbers/purifiers in buildings which were identified as needing additional circulation
- Frequent cleaning of high use and touch areas (bathrooms, handles, etc.).
- Plexiglass/Protective barriers

### **Contact Your Supervisor If You Do Not Feel Well**

Effective August 22, employees who are ill should follow the guidance contained in [this flowchart](#), contact their primary care physician, and inform their supervisor that they are unable to perform their assigned duties. Employees who test positive for COVID-19, should complete the [COVID- 19 Questionnaire](#). The questionnaire provides necessary information to the College to provide guidance on leave and issue the required notifications should an exposure take place on District property.

### **Monkey Pox State of Emergency**

On August 9, 2022, the San Diego County Board of Supervisors ratified a state of emergency due to the outbreak of Monkey Pox in the region. To date, the College is not aware of any Monkey Pox cases impacting students or employees. While the risk of contracting monkeypox for the public remains very low, it is important to be aware of the facts and primary preventative tactics found here on [this factsheet](#). If you think you have the monkeypox rash and want to get tested, or have any health concerns, please contact your healthcare provider. If you do not have a healthcare provider, call 2-1-1 San Diego for information.

### **Telework Pilot Program**

In a previous communication it was indicated that the District was developing a pilot Telework policy. This process has paused and when an update is available, we will distribute the information. Classified, CAST, and AA employees must return all technology equipment (e.g., laptops, keyboards, hotspots, etc.), back to Information Services, if any equipment was on loan or removed for remote work during the pandemic.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact your supervisor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Montoya III', with a stylized flourish at the end.

David Joseph Montoya III, J.D., SHRM-CP  
Assistant Superintendent/Vice President Human Resources