

FAQ for Faculty Teaching an In-Person Class/Lab Component

What are the COVID-19 related requirements of students while on-campus?

1. Students must wear a face covering at all times.
2. Students must maintain a physical distance of at least 6 feet from all other individuals.
3. If a student has symptoms of COVID-19, has been exposed to a person that has tested positive for COVID-19, or has tested positive for COVID-19, they are not permitted to be on-campus.

How do I remove a student from class for failure to abide by the COVID-19 requirements?

Approach them and remind them that it is the policy of College of Marin that all students must abide by the expectations outlined in the Student Safety Agreement while on campus. Inform the student that if they do not comply, they will not be permitted to continue in class for this day.

If they continue to fail to comply after you initially asked, instruct them that they are to leave class and that this will be referred to student conduct. If the student refuses to leave class and begins to become disruptive, as a last resort, contact campus PD who can assist in de-escalating the situation.

Why should I remove a student from class?

A student should be removed from class if they fail to comply with the expectations outlined in the Student Safety Agreement.

Unless there is an immediate, malicious act, it is recommended to give students at least one reminder. Should a student continue to fail to abide by the expectations outlined in the Student Safety Agreement, ask that the student leave class.

An example of immediate, malicious act would be intentionally coughing on another person.

How should students wear a mask?

Masks should be worn to ensure the covering of both the mouth and nose and should always be worn while on campus.

Can students state they have a disability and for this reason cannot wear a mask or follow other COVID-19 protocols?

Yes; however, per the Student Safety Agreement signed at the beginning of the semester, they are required to meet with SAS and receive an accommodation through SAS that would then be provided to you, which you should follow. If they state that they have an accommodation or disability, but you have not been notified, request to see the letter from SAS. If they cannot or do not provide this, you should request that they leave class and not return until they provide this documentation to you via email.

If a student has not completed the symptom tracker what do I do?

Ask them to complete it on their phone. If they do not have a phone, provide them the paper draft of the symptom tracker, which will be available in the Canvas Commons for your use.

A student shared with me over email that they have tested positive for COVID-19. What do I do?

You should tell the student that they should not come to class. You should notify your dean. You should not under any circumstances notify the class. You must consult with your dean for appropriate steps to take.

A student shared in-person that they have tested positive for COVID-19 or they are possibly been exposed to COVID-19. What do I do?

Request that this student go home and contact their health care provider. You should then notify your dean.

A student is coughing and/or sneezing in class. What do I do?

You cannot ask a student to leave the class because they are coughing, which could be the result of any number of non-COVID issues. Students are required to wear a mask and maintain distance to mitigate the effects of coughs and sneezes.