



MEMORANDUM

To: USC Students

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Subject: Reminder: Trojan Check, COVID-19 Testing, and Masking Policy Requirements

As we approach the midpoint of the semester, we want to review USC's COVID-19 policies, including Trojan Check, mandatory COVID-19 surveillance testing, and masking requirements. We have seen outstanding compliance with these measures across our students. These efforts are paying off as our semester has seen falling case rates and no campus outbreaks. We are depending on all USC students, staff, faculty, and visitors to comply with our public health policies to continue to bring down our community positivity rate. We are all responsible for protecting each other.

Trojan Check

All students are expected to use [Trojan Check](#) to enter campus spaces and events. If you are not in compliance with the University's vaccination policy or weekly testing requirements, or have not completed the "Health, Hygiene and Safety" training, Trojan Check will not permit you to complete a daily wellness assessment, or receive a Day Pass to enter campus spaces and events.

Students are not permitted to share a screenshot of their Day Pass with others, use a copy of another student's Day Pass, or use the "Guest" pass feature if their own Trojan Check is not in compliance. Intentionally bypassing Trojan Check may result in disciplinary action and/or revocation of campus access privileges.

Mandatory Weekly Testing

All students – undergraduate and graduates – must test once every 7 days through [USC's Pop Testing Surveillance program](#). Unvaccinated undergraduate students who have an approved medical or religious exemption are required to test twice a week.

Unvaccinated graduate and professional students who have an approved medical or religious exemption are required to test once a week.



Students are required to schedule an appointment for nasal swab collection or saliva collection. Appointments can be made up to 48 hours in advance through [mySHR](#), and students who book and complete nasal swab appointments are [automatically entered](#) to win \$100 gift cards to the USC Bookstores.

USC is also tracking if students continually make same-day appointments for testing, no-show, and have remained out of compliance with the surveillance testing requirement. Students who are out of compliance with required testing should expect to be notified. Continued non-compliance with testing requirements, may result in disciplinary action and/or revocation of campus access privileges.

Masking

As a reminder, all members of our USC community, regardless of vaccination status, are required to wear a mask or facial covering that fully covers their mouth and nose in all indoor campus spaces. Participation in any outdoor events also require students to wear a mask. If you are approached by a USC staff or faculty member and asked to put on your mask, you are required to comply. Failing to adhere to the University's mask policy may result in disciplinary action and/or revocation of campus access privileges.

Please find details of the University's COVID-19 policies at policy.usc.edu. Thank you for taking steps to protect the Trojan community.