January 7, 2022


This order is issued pursuant to authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Wisconsin and applicable policies in the University of Wisconsin System, including but not limited to: Wis. Stat. 36.09(1)(a), (f), and (L), 36.11(1)(a) and (c), 36.35(2), Wis. Stat. 101.11, Wis. Admin. Code § 17.09(1), (14), and (15), Wis. Admin. Code § UWS 18.08(9)(b), 18.11(6)(a) and (7)(e), and UW System Board of Regents Policy 23-2, to manage the operation and administration of the University of Wisconsin-Madison campus, including establishing requirements for the maintenance of the health, safety and welfare of the University.

Based on the documented significant increase in community COVID-19 prevalence, the move to more indoor activity with colder weather, and the need to monitor and promote low disease prevalence as the campus community returns for the start of the spring semester from travels to other communities for the winter recess and holiday, students who have not shared proof of COVID-19 vaccination with University Health Services (UHS) will be required to undergo weekly asymptomatic testing on campus through March 1, 2022 unless extended, terminated, or otherwise modified based on changing conditions related to the COVID-19 Delta, Omicron, or other variant, including but not limited to CDC guidance, state and local public health conditions, and campus safety. This order reflects consultation with campus public health experts, as well as consideration of campus and community conditions and local, state, and national public health recommendations.

Student violations may be subject to administrative actions and/or disciplinary sanction pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code § UWS 17.

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