



### **What is Grove City College requiring when it comes to testing?**

All students must be tested for COVID-19 and provide the College with documentation of a negative PCR COVID-19 test prior to physically returning to campus.

Individuals who do not provide the proof of a negative test will not be able to move into residence halls, attend classes, or visit any other campus offices or buildings.

### **Do I need to take a PCR test? Can I take another type of COVID-19 test?**

To ensure consistent accuracy, students must take a PCR test for COVID-19. Antigen tests and antibody tests will not be accepted.

### **When do I need to take and submit the test? Is there a specific window of time?**

If possible, your test should occur roughly 72 hours before departing for campus. For example, if you have signed up for a January 23 arrival, the test should be taken on the 19<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup>, depending on your departure date. The Everlywell test will accommodate this timetable. Pennsylvania students, who are not subject to the Commonwealth's out-of-state travel directive, may take the test beginning on January 14.

### **Will Grove City be verifying that students have submitted test results?**

Yes, we will be confirming that test results have been provided, and students will not be permitted to arrive on campus without a verified test submission.

### **How can I secure a COVID-19 PCR test to take?**

#### **1. Community-based testing**

The College is not requiring a specific provider for PCR testing. You are welcome to secure a PCR test from a provider that best suits your schedule, cost/insurance needs, local pharmacy, or personal preference. We realize asymptomatic testing is more readily available in some areas than others. These options are regionally based and regulated by state and local governments.

Note: Many testing locations require advance appointments for asymptomatic testing and results are delayed for several days. Please plan accordingly based on your campus return date. It is also very important when securing testing to ask to receive a written copy of your test result that will include your name and the date of the test. You can submit a picture of a hardcopy.

Here is a link from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to assist you in finding testing sites available in your state/region:

<https://www.hhs.gov/coronavirus/community-based-testing-sites/index.html>

Some HHS sites provide asymptomatic testing at no cost. It is important to research the specifics of the testing available in your specific region/state to determine what best meets your needs.

**\*\*\* Negative community based test results should be submitted [here](#)\*\*\***

## **2. At-home testing through Everlywell**

In recognition of the increasing difficulty of securing timely asymptomatic testing in some areas of the US, the College has partnered with Everlywell to make this discounted at-home testing option available to students.

Please complete this [form](#) before **midnight on January 6** if you would like to participate in this discounted testing program from the convenience of your home. The \$90 charge will be added to your student account in February after we have completed this Spring return testing process. Payment will be due by March 8, 2021. You may also add the additional \$90 to your Spring semester payment if you prefer to pay in advance.

You can find further information regarding the Everlywell test kit [here](#) but you must order using the form at the link in the paragraph above to receive the College's discounted rate.

Once you receive the kit, you simply register online and follow the step-by-step instructions ([video](#)) for properly collecting and returning your sample. A prepaid shipping label and instructions are included in the kit.

Everlywell will provide results to you and the College at the same time. You do not need to submit these results. The College will maintain this information as other student health records, respecting confidentiality. Everlywell does not ship to those residing outside of the

### **Am I responsible to pay for my pre-arrival COVID-19 PCR test?**

Yes, students are responsible for the cost of pre-arrival testing options. You may want to check with your insurance provider to see if this expense is covered.

### **How do I provide documentation of my test result to Grove City?**

Everlywell: If you choose to use the Everlywell at-home test, your test result will automatically and securely be submitted to Grove City College at the same time it is emailed to you.

Other PCR test of your choosing: If you choose an alternate PCR testing method, you will need to upload documentation of your test results [here](#).

Important reminder: Whichever PCR testing method you choose to use, you must make certain you plan your timeframe so that your test is completed and submitted in advance of your campus return (regardless of whether Everlywell submits it for you, or you upload it to the portal yourself). If you are uploading your test result yourself, please do

so as soon you receive results. This will allow for any troubleshooting and follow-up communication that might be needed.

**What if I have already had and recovered from COVID-19? Do I still need to provide a test result?**

If you have tested positive for COVID-19 before October 1, 2020, you must follow the requirements described above. If you have tested positive for COVID after October 1, 2020, you must show proof of your original positive test OR have another PCR test performed showing a negative status. Those seeking an exemption from testing based on a POSITIVE TEST should upload an image of their positive test results [here](#).

**Will the College continue to do surveillance during the Spring semester?**

We anticipate continuing to conduct surveillance testing during this semester. Student athletes will also have their own regular testing schedule. While athletes must participate in testing in order to participate in NCAA athletics, others may opt out of surveillance testing during the semester.

**Do students need to pay out-of-pocket for required testing throughout the Spring semester?**

No, once on campus, students do not pay for required testing. Grove City College will continue to cover the costs associated with surveillance and symptomatic testing during the Spring semester as it did in the Fall.

**Is GCC continuing to offer testing for symptomatic students on campus this spring?**

Yes, as in the Fall semester, the Zerbe Health and Wellness Center is prepared this spring to administer testing for students who are exhibiting symptoms or have a confirmed or expected exposure to COVID-19 positive individuals.