

January 15, 2021

MEMORANDUM

To: PVAMU Students & Employees

From: Dr. Tondra Moore, Executive Director

Subject: Spring 2021 COVID-19 Testing & Updates

** Reminder** Student Spring COVID-19 Certification

Please be reminded that you must complete the **mandatory Student Safe Practices Training** for the spring semester. The training is brief and thorough. Please use the following link to access the training if you haven't already done so: https://sso.comevo.com/pvamu/launch/2737.

Testing

To help provide a safe campus environment, the university will offer students and employees access to COVID-19 test on campus upon return and throughout the semester.

Student Testing	Employee Testing
Houston Methodist	Random Testing Program
Random Testing Program	Curative Kiosk
Curative Kiosk	

Houston Methodist

Students who reside in on-campus housing will be **required** to test between January 13, 2021 and February 15, 2021 using the Houston Methodist Wellness Services which will conduct nasal, PCR COVID-19 testing in the Rec Center. Students MUST schedule an appointment using the following <u>link</u>.

Random Testing Program

Throughout the semester, students and employees will be asked to participate in the university Random Testing Program (RTP) hosted in various on-campus locations including residential properties.

Curative Kiosk

Students and employees have access to test at a Curative kiosk located outside of the Memorial Student Center. The kiosk normally operates Monday through Friday between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm. You must make an appointment for testing using the following link.

Know Your Status

Prairie View A&M University community members are encouraged to frequently test to assist the campus in quickly identifying any risk the campus community. It is only through our collective efforts will we keep the Prairie View A&M University campus community safe. Also, students and employees are encouraged to track their COVID-19 status by securely uploading test results through the PVPlace "COVID-19 Know Your Status" tab.

Random Testing Program

The Prairie View A&M University Random Testing Program is designed to help the university identify clusters of asymptomatic individuals as well as provide greater access to testing for all students and employees. Individuals will be identified and requested to voluntarily test at a designated RTP testing event. RTP participants will be eligible for different incentives offered to encourage participation. More information on the Random Testing Program will be available on the COVID-19 website by January 22, 2021.

Isolation/Quarantine

Students and employees who are directed to isolate/quarantine will be officially notified using a university email by a COVID-19 hotline associate.

With the start of the spring 2021 semester, the University will require a **10-day** isolation/quarantine period for any student or employee who:

- 1. tests positive for COVID-19, or
- 2. comes in contact with a confirmed positive.

Also, individuals who come in contact with the confirmed positive will be required to take a COVID-19 test on day 7 of the 10-day isolation/quarantine period. However, individuals will be advised to monitor themselves for symptoms for the full 14-day period following the contact.

Students choosing to isolate/quarantine on campus will be required to move into designated isolation/quarantine spaces if their presence poses a risk to any other student in the dwelling. Housing & Residential Life Staff will notify each student impacted directly.