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Subject: COVID-19 Update and Mask Optional Outdoor Protocols

Greetings Clark Atlanta University Faculty, Staff and Students:

As Clark Atlanta University continues to monitor COVID-19 in collaboration with the Atlanta University Center Consortium (AUCC), we remain vigilant in our efforts to maintain a low positivity rate with testing and increased booster rates. We are pleased with the positivity rate on our campus; albeit we do have a very small number of individuals who have tested positive during the Spring 2022 semester. Recently, the AUCC Task Force and its member institutions have decided to relax our outdoor masking mandate. **Effective immediately, outdoor masking will be optional.** Masks will be required indoors including all buildings, classrooms, labs, dining areas, residence halls, etc.

Faculty, staff, and students are asked to continue to follow the University’s COVID-19 guidance by:

- Continuing the weekly testing Rapid Antigen Test cadence on campus.
- Random PCRs on campus.
- Taking the booster at the time you are eligible and uploading those results in the Student Health Portal or submitting verification to Human Resources (*faculty and staff*). Moderna boosters are available every Monday and Thursday and appointments can be scheduled via Medicat - [https://cau.medicatconnect.com/](https://cau.medicatconnect.com/)
- As a best practice, please carry a mask at all times. CAU continues to make masks available throughout the campus.

Again, thank you for your cooperation regarding testing, vaccinations, and masking in our efforts to maintain a safe and healthy campus.

Sincerely,

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