

COVID-19 Operations Plan



Clover Park Technical College – Safety/Security/Emergency Management

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The policies and procedures outlined in this plan are subject to change. This is a living document and will be updated as new information is made available.

Overview

This plan is intended to guide CPTC in the continuation of campus operations during the COVID-19 Pandemic. With the expiration of [Proclamation 20-12.5 Higher Education](#), this plan is now based on requirements and information available from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Washington State Department of Labor & Industries (L&I), the Washington State Department of Health and the Tacoma Pierce County Health Department and is subject to changes based on those same entities or on operational needs. Any revisions to this plan will be communicated to staff and students. The current version of this document is available on the College's website: [Covid-19 Operations Plan](#)

Responsibilities

It is the responsibility of all employees and students to assist with prevention efforts while on our campuses. If students have specific questions about this plan, they should ask their instructor(s). Employees should pose plan-specific questions to their supervisor and/or Lisa Beach, Executive Director of Operations. Additionally, each campus will have one or more designated COVID-19 Supervisor(s). A supervisor will be available during all work and class hours, as well as during any activities.

- Lakewood COVID-19 Supervisor: Lisa Beach 253.589.5603
- South Hill COVID-19 Supervisor: Greg Doyon 253.583.8915

Vaccinations

Vaccinations and boosters, while no longer required of staff and student in general, are still encouraged by CPTC and are recommended by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). Certain instructional programs may still require students to be fully vaccinated for Covid-19. Students should check with their program faculty to learn if vaccinations are required for them.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and Engineering Controls

CPTC will provide personal protective equipment (PPE) as appropriate or required for work on campus and specific activities in program labs. Additionally, employees and students can request items as a part of a documented accommodation. While face coverings are now optional, we encourage wearing one, even if you've been vaccinated.

Hygiene and Sanitation

Soap and running water will be provided at all locations throughout the College for frequent handwashing.

Alcohol-based sanitizers will be provided but are not a replacement for soap and running water handwashing. Disinfectant will be made available throughout the campuses and cleaning supplies provided. Custodial staff have been trained on proper disinfecting as a part of their regular work.

Symptom Monitoring and Reporting

CPTC has developed a [policy](#) for employees and students specific to COVID-19. This policy governs staying home when sick, leaving school/work when sick, what to do if an individual has been in contact with a confirmed positive case and what to do if one develops specific symptoms. Failure to comply with this policy may result in disciplinary action.

Self-reporting of positive COVID-19 tests is required. These reports will allow us to inform others of possible exposure and will provide information for contact tracing. You may self-report at this email address COVID19info@cptc.edu or call 253.589.5603.

Adherence to this plan and college policy is required and non-compliance subject to disciplinary action.

Travel

There is no travel advisory in place at this time. CPTC asks people who have traveled outside of Washington State to comply with the [U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's \(CDC\) current COVID-19 travel advisory guidance](#).

Exposure Response Protocol

Employee/Student/Visitor Exhibits Symptoms: If an employee/student/visitor exhibits COVID-19-like symptoms they should not come to campus. They should seek medical guidance and remain home. A return to campus can happen after:

- *symptoms are improving and 5 days after the start of isolation AND
- *24 hours with no fever without the use of fever-reducing medications.

Employees and students must contact their Instructor/Dean/Director/Supervisor to inform them of symptoms. If the symptoms appear at work/on campus, the Dean/Director/Supervisor/Instructor will direct the individual to leave. In both instances (symptoms before and after arrival), the Instructor/Dean/Director will notify Lisa Beach, Executive Director of Operations.

Testing Positive for COVID-19: Employees or students who test positive for COVID-19 will be directed to isolate away from campus. They may return to campus when at least 5 days have passed since the first positive test and symptoms are improving. The 5 days of isolation are followed by 5 days of consistently wearing a well-fitting mask when around others. They must contact their Instructor/Dean/Director/Supervisor to notify CPTC of a positive test. After notification to Lisa Beach, Executive Director of Operations, by the positive individual, their supervisor/instructor or the Tacoma Pierce County Health Department, the CPTC Emergency Team will begin contact investigation.

Potential Exposure/Close Contact: If employees or students come into close contact with a positive individual or one exhibiting symptoms but awaiting test results, they do not need to quarantine but should consistently wear a well-fitting mask for 10 days after exposure.

Additionally they should get tested on day five. If symptoms occur after exposure, individuals should immediately isolate per the guidance for a positive test.

Per the CDC close contact is:

Someone who was within 6 feet of an infected person for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period* starting from 2 days before illness onset. An infected person can spread SARS-CoV-2 starting from 2 days before they have any symptoms (or, for asymptomatic patients, 2 days before the positive specimen collection date), until they meet criteria for discontinuing home isolation.

** Individual exposures added together over a 24-hour period (e.g., three 5-minute exposures for a total of 15 minutes).*

Investigation Process: The Emergency Team, will coordinate with Tacoma Pierce County Health Department or Washington State Department of Health regarding communication and contact tracing.