

Protocols for Students Placed in Isolation

Students are placed into isolation after a positive COVID-19 test.

- Students who test positive should promptly notify our COVID team at covid@rio.edu.
- Students will have the option of returning to their permanent address or isolating in place (in their permanent housing assignment)
 - Students with personal transportation and a permanent residence within 150 miles will be asked to return home for the duration of their isolation, but they are not required
 - If a student chooses to remain on campus, they must:
 - Remain in their room, with the exception of using the bathroom and getting food in the cafeteria to-go
 - Wear a mask at all times with the exception of showering, brushing teeth, shaving, and sleeping. You do not need to wear a mask in your room if placed in a single room with no other occupants.
 - Not permit any visitors in their room during isolation
 - To minimize contact with any roommate(s):
 - Keep 6 feet of distance as much as possible
 - Arrange the beds so that sleepers' heads are as far apart as possible
 - Open the window if weather allows
- Students in isolation will not be permitted to leave their isolation location to attend class, participate in athletics, socialize with others not in isolation, or eat in the cafeteria.
 - Students will be able to utilize the to-go service in the cafeteria but must remain masked while outside their assigned room
- Health Services will perform regular well checks on students in isolation on campus, either in person or via phone
- Students will be permitted to leave isolation when released by the Health Department or Health Services
 - This occurs when a minimum of five days have passed, and the student has been fever- or symptom-free for 24 hours
 - Students must continue to wear a mask in public through day 10 but are permitted to participate in all normal activities