

### COVID-19 Weekly Update (Friday, September 17, 2021)

Regular COVID information is always available on the College's COVID-19 Resource Page, available at <https://www.garrettcollege.edu/corona-virus.php> or by contacting [equitycompliance@garrettcollege.edu](mailto:equitycompliance@garrettcollege.edu).

### Current COVID-19 Status (as of Friday, September 17, 2021, 11:00am)

- 52 reports (includes positive cases, symptomatic individuals, close contacts, and potential exposures)
- 17 confirmed positive cases
- 22 individuals are currently in isolation or quarantine either on- or off-campus

### Health and Safety Protocol Reminders:

- **Masks/face coverings** are **required** to be properly worn in all indoor locations (which includes common areas of the residence halls).
- Completion of the **Daily Health Self-Assessment** is required before coming to a campus location each day. The assessment can be found at <https://www.garrettcollege.edu/daily-health>.
- **Social distancing** of 3 feet is strongly recommended in crowded indoor and outdoor settings.
- **STAY HOME** when you are sick, awaiting test results, or have been identified as a close contact, until you have been cleared to return to campus.
- **Report** COVID-related illness, positive results, or close contact notifications to [equitycompliance@garrettcollege.edu](mailto:equitycompliance@garrettcollege.edu).

### Quarantine and Isolation Protocols:

- **Check your Garrett College email regularly!** The College will use official college email addresses to notify students and employees regarding any on-campus exposures.
- If you have been emailed regarding an exposure and have been **identified as a "close contact"**, **you must refrain from coming to campus** until you have provided further information to [equitycompliance@garrettcollege.edu](mailto:equitycompliance@garrettcollege.edu).
- Anyone who has **tested positive**, will be required to **isolate for at least 10 days**.
- In order to determine if you must **quarantine** and when you can return to campus, you must contact the Office of Equity and Compliance for final guidance.
  - Individuals who are **fully vaccinated** or those who have **had COVID-19 within the previous 3 months** do NOT need to stay home (quarantine) after contact with someone who had COVID-19 unless they have symptoms, as long as they were properly masked during the entire time of the exposure. These individuals should get tested 3-5 days after their exposure, even if they don't have symptoms and must follow other safety protocols including wearing a mask indoors in public, monitoring for symptoms, and socially distancing when possible, for 14 days following exposure or until their test result is negative.
  - Individuals who are **unvaccinated** will be required to quarantine (remain off-campus) if they were a close contact, regardless of whether they were properly masked or not. The length of quarantine can range anywhere from 7 to 14 days, determined in consultation with the Office of Equity and Compliance.