Date: January 21, 2021
To: Housing Residents
From: University Housing Services
Re: COVID-19 Mandatory Testing Dates and Reminders

As we prepare for the start of the Spring 2021 semester, we want to remind everyone of the mandatory COVID-19 testing that will begin next week. As shared in our December 22 communication, all housing students are required to participate in testing and sign the addendum to the 2020-2021 Housing License Agreement.

Please note that if you are experiencing COVID-19 related symptoms, you cannot participate in this event. Instead, please immediately contact the SJSU Student Wellness Center or your healthcare provider as well as University Housing Services staff. The Student Wellness Center will collaborate with University Housing Service staff who will provide support and guidance regarding the quarantine/isolation requirements. A Housing staff member will contact you with instructions and information about the resources and support that are available to you.

Testing Dates and Locations

Testing will be held in the Housing Quad and in front of CV2 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on January 26, 27 and February 1. The testing will be administered by HealthQuest Esoterics, a company partnering with the university.

Appointments

Please click the link below to schedule your appointment at one of the following locations:
- Appointments in Front of CV2
- Appointments in the Housing Quad

Plan to arrive at the entrance to the testing site 5 minutes before your appointment time, and bring a photo ID.

For those who had previously signed up for an appointment on February 2 or 3, these testing dates have been cancelled. Please select a new time on January 26, 27 or February 1.

If you are returning to campus after February 1, additional mandatory testing is planned for February 8 and 16. More information, including links to schedule an appointment, will be shared soon.

What to Expect during Testing

HealthQuest Esoterics staff will swab your nasal cavity and process the sample through their lab. Results of the test are projected to be returned to the campus/student within 48-72 hours. The Student Wellness Center staff will contact all students with a positive test result with support and guidance on how to proceed. In addition, the Student Wellness Center will collaborate with University Housing Service staff who will provide support and guidance
regarding the quarantine/isolation requirements. A Housing staff member will contact you with instructions as and information about the resources and support available to you.

When you participate in the testing, please adhere to standard health protocols (e.g. wearing a face covering and maintaining six feet of physical distance). On the day of your appointment, and prior to arriving at the testing location, we encourage you to complete the SJSU COVID-19 Symptom Check Tool.

What’s Next After Testing

After testing, each student is required to sequester in the residence hall room. This means that you must limit your activities to the following until you receive your test results and further directions:

- Picking up meals from the Dining Commons
- Participating in required NCAA intercollegiate athletics testing

Testing Requirements

1. Testing is for students who do not have symptoms. If you are having symptoms of COVID-19, you cannot participate in the event and must contact the SJSU Student Wellness Center or your healthcare provider, and University Housing Services staff. The Student Wellness Center will collaborate with University Housing Service staff who will provide support and guidance regarding the quarantine/isolation requirements. A Housing staff member will contact you with instructions and information about the resources and support that are available to you.

2. If you have received a positive COVID-19 test result within the past 90 days, you should not participate in this testing event. You must upload your test results using the Student Wellness Center COVID test upload form.

3. If you have taken or plan to take a COVID-19 test with another healthcare provider between January 26 and February 1, you must upload your test results using the Student Wellness Center COVID test upload form.

Sharing Test Results

Test results should be available within 48-72 hours. To protect the SJSU community and prevent further spread of COVID 19, individual test results will be shared with limited university personnel to coordinate housing isolation and quarantine, cleaning, and notifications, as well as with public health authorities in compliance with laws and county orders.

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SJSU Resources and Support

If you have questions, or are directly impacted by COVID-19, resources and support are available. On-campus protocols are in place to assist residents who have tested positive, may be showing symptoms, or have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive. SJSU requires that you complete a confidential “Reporting a Case of COVID-19” online form if you receive a positive COVID-19 test result or experience a potential exposure. If you are a student employee, you are required to report as well. A case manager will contact you shortly after the initial survey with further instructions and information about the resources and support that will be provided to you.

University Housing Services staff are available for support and to provide information and resources. Should you have questions, please contact us at 408-795-5600 or at uhs-frontdesk@sjsu.edu. You may also contact your Residential Life Coordinator.

We appreciate your participation and partnership. If you haven’t already, we encourage you to review and take the pledge outlined in the Spartan Community Promise. We look forward to welcoming you to campus for the spring semester!