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SECTION 1

1. MCAD Plan and Principles

This plan, which takes effect on May 21st, 2022, replaces the plan that was introduced in July, 2020. This plan utilizes the best practices from the Center for Disease Control (CDC), Minnesota Department of Health (MDH), the American College Health Association (ACHA), our experience during the 2020-2022 academic years, and our confidence in a Covid-19 vaccination requirement for all students, faculty, and staff. As we continue to operate at pre-pandemic classroom and operation levels, MCAD will continue to update this Plan as necessary to be flexible to changing conditions and protect the health and safety of all members of the MCAD community.

1.1 Campus Operations - Summer 2022

Barring direction from CDC or MDH, campus operations will continue with modified pre-pandemic, fully operational status for classes and business operations under the conditions outlined within this plan. If there is a resurgence of Covid cases, MCAD will immediately re-implement necessary safeguards from

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the MCAD 2020 Pandemic Plan. Notification of such a contingency will be sent campus-wide with as much lead time as possible.

1.2 Staff Return to Campus & Remote Work

MCAD will continue to offer hybrid and remote work options. MCAD Human Resources has developed a [Hybrid and Remote Work Policy and Procedure](#) to direct eligible staff through coordination and necessary provisions.

SECTION 2 - Health, Wellness, and Safety Practices on Campus

2.1 Community Pledge

To align the college's health and safety expectations with the well-being of each member of our community, and to provide all MCAD individuals greater assurances as to what they can expect from each other, all students, faculty, and staff are required to acknowledge a [community standards agreement and pledge](#), as a condition of their return to campus this academic year.

It continues to be critical that we all support each other through this pandemic. That includes monitoring and reminding each other when necessary, with mutual respect and consideration, about adhering to best practices for the benefit of the entire MCAD community. Students, staff, and faculty, we all need each other, to do our best for ourselves and everyone around us. Stay diligent. Keep up with best practices. Help each other out.

2.2 Immunization Requirements

Effective August 1, 2021, MCAD requires all students, faculty, staff, and volunteers that have access to campus facilities and/or living in campus housing to be vaccinated for COVID-19.

As part of the MCAD community, MCAD Volunteers will be subject to the same vaccination policy as all other MCAD staff, students, and faculty. MCAD Volunteers must be vaccinated to work in Academic Buildings. MCAD may extend this vaccination requirement to other individuals as deemed necessary based on their frequency and contact with the MCAD Community.

Exemptions may be submitted for review. Students may submit a petition for exemption through the Student Affairs Office. Staff and faculty may submit a petition for exemption through MCAD Human Resources.

If an individual receives an exemption, a condition of that exemption will include committing to periodic testing for Covid (see Section 2.2.2 - Unvaccinated Exemption Testing).

2.2.1 Vaccination Booster Requirement

As of December 9th, 2021, all students, staff, and faculty are required to get a COVID-19 booster shot within 14 days of becoming eligible.

Effective on January 31st, 2022, those that received the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine will be required to get their booster vaccination shot five months after their initial vaccination and those that received the Johnson & Johnson vaccination are eligible to get their booster vaccination shot two months after their initial vaccination. This is following updated guidance from the CDC. To register your booster vaccination:

- **Staff and Faculty:** By January 10, 2022 you must fill out [this form](#) in order to maintain normal access to campus.
- **Students:** By January 18, 2022 you must fill out [this form](#) in order to attend classes and access campus.

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If you are not yet eligible for a booster shot (because your initial vaccination is still in-force), you must notify [Student Affairs](#) or [Human Resources](#) for a temporary waiver and receive a booster shot within 14 days of becoming eligible.

If you have tested positive for Covid, are currently in isolation, and experiencing acute symptoms, you should wait to get your booster shot until your isolation period is over and your acute symptoms have abated (fever-free for 24 hours without the use of medications). If you have not already done so, notify MCAD at staysafe@mcad.edu of your status and remain in isolation. When your isolation period is complete, you must receive a booster shot within 14 days of becoming eligible.

2.2.2 Unvaccinated Exemption Testing

Per CDC and MDH recommendations, all vaccination-exempt staff, students, and volunteers are required to undergo weekly testing for Covid and must wear a mask at all times. Testing must be conducted by a licensed clinic or medical provider, or by one of the MCAD approved and supported methods of testing (mcad.edu/covidtesting). Test results must include the test subject's name, date the test was performed, and a definitive positive/negative test result. If a test result is inconclusive, the test subject is responsible for taking another or different test until a definitive result is achieved within the weekly time period. Exempted individuals will forward the email, showing the results of their tests, to covidtest@mcad.edu within 24 hours of receipt.

If an unvaccinated MCAD community member tests positive for Covid, they are exempted from the weekly testing requirement for 90 days, starting from the date that they took the test or provided the sample that tested positive. At the end of the 90 day period, weekly testing requirements will resume.

2.3 Face Coverings and Masks

Based on current health conditions and alignment with CDC guidance, as well as our commitment to deliver in-person learning, we will require the use of 3-ply surgical or higher-grade (KN95, KF94 and N95) face masks be worn indoors for everyone (all staff, students, faculty, visitors, contractors, etc.) regardless of their vaccination status. Cloth masks will no longer meet the face covering requirement. However, you may combine a cloth mask (top layer) and a 3 ply surgical mask (bottom layer) to improve fit and increase protection. This updated Face Covering and Mask policy will take effect as of January 18, 2022. Surgical masks will be available beginning on 1/18 at the Welcome/Reception desk for any community member needing a mask and a limited supply of KN95 masks have been ordered. Please review the current [CDC guidance](#) on the use of masks and watch this [helpful video](#) to improve the fit of your mask.

Indoors: Face coverings are required to be worn while inside MCAD Academic Buildings and in the 'common' areas of dorms. Face coverings can be removed temporarily only under these circumstances;

1. If alone in a room where the door is shut.
2. If in an apartment where no guests are present.
3. If eating or drinking and seated in the Cafe, studio, or office but 3-6' distancing is strongly encouraged while unmasked.

Outdoors: Because COVID-19 is primarily transmitted from person to person through inhalation of minute water droplets, the risk of transmission is reduced, but not eliminated, when outdoors. For this reason, MCAD strongly encourages masking or distancing during outdoor events or social gatherings. People that are outdoors by themselves, or with others from within their household or close social circle do not need to mask or distance themselves.

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This policy will be re-evaluated before Fall 2022 semester and will continue to reflect MDH and CDC best practices and guidelines. When we are confident that unmasking is safe for the MCAD community, this policy will be updated.

2.4 Physical Distancing

The most common form of Covid-19 transmission occurs when someone inhales minute water droplets that are exhaled by an infected person when they speak, shout, cough, sneeze, etc. Physical distancing allows air movements to disperse, dilute, and carry breath droplets out of other people's breathing zones. Because of this, physical distancing is strongly encouraged where possible as it is another powerful tool in preventing the spread of the virus.

2.5 Enhanced Cleaning Practices

MCAD Custodial Staff are continuing to practice enhanced cleaning throughout all MCAD buildings that they service, on a frequent basis. The disinfectant being used is documented to neutralize the COVID virus on contact. Disinfection kits will remain stocked and available throughout MCAD buildings. Students, staff, and faculty are encouraged to disinfect commonly handled surfaces before and after use.

2.6 Enhanced HVAC/Ventilation

MCAD Facilities has completed upgrading the HVAC/Ventilation precautions in the Academic Buildings. Improvements include enhancing filtration, increasing airflow, introducing more outside air, and adding HEPA air purifier modules in strategic areas. These improvements were conducted with the aid of HVAC specialty contractors and conform to the best practices for COVID prevention available. If you are in an area with one of the new HEPA air purifiers, please do not move or attempt to adjust them. They are placed specifically to increase circulation and ventilation throughout the room or area that they are located.

SECTION 3 - Screening and Reporting

3.1 Screening Expectations

All faculty, staff, and students who come to campus should continue to self-screen for signs and symptoms of COVID-19, whether they are vaccinated or not.

If you have 'close contact' (15 minutes or longer at a distance closer than 6') with a person confirmed to be COVID positive, the CDC recommends that you get tested 5-7 days after exposure, whether you are vaccinated or not. Fill in the [MCAD Exposure Report Form](#). You should continue to wear a mask or face covering and practice physical distancing for 10 days from the last close contact.

Fully vaccinated individuals that have had close contact with a COVID positive case should report their situation to MCAD (by filling in the [Exposure Report Form](#)) but do not need to isolate or quarantine **unless they begin to develop COVID symptoms or receive a positive COVID test result.**

Non- or partially-vaccinated, should be aware of being a close contact of anyone who is displaying Covid-like symptoms:

1. Is my roommate or member of my household experiencing any common COVID symptoms within the last 48 hours or been identified as a close contact (see definition below)?
2. Have I had close contact with anyone suspected of having or confirmed to have COVID-19?
Close contact is defined as being within six (6) feet of the infected person for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24 hour period within 48 hours prior to the development of symptoms, or had direct contact with infectious secretions of a person diagnosed with COVID-19 (e.g., being coughed on, shared utensils, kissed, etc.)

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If you have not been vaccinated or are partially vaccinated, and any of the answers are 'Yes' to the above questions, the individual should stay home and report their condition following the "Reporting to the College" section listed below.

3.2. Reporting to the College - Notification Protocol

Vaccinated individuals that are experiencing one 'less common' symptom do not need to report their status to the college. They should take care of themselves and continue monitoring for any additional symptoms.

Vaccinated individuals that are experiencing one 'more common' or two or more 'less common' symptoms should report their status to the college.

Vaccinated individuals that have come into close contact with a confirmed Covid-positive case should report their status to the college.

Unvaccinated individuals that are experiencing any 'more' or 'less' common symptoms, or if they have had close contact with a Covid-positive case, will report their status to the college.

MCAD generally follows the [MDH Covid-19 Quarantine Guide](#) when determining screening and quarantining protocols.

The following is a breakdown of 'more common' and 'less common' Covid symptoms:

More Common:

- Fever of 100.4 or higher
- New cough or a cough that gets worse
- Difficulty breathing
- Loss of taste or smell

Less Common:

- Sore throat
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Chills
- Muscle pain
- Extreme fatigue
- New severe headache
- New nasal congestion or stuffy/runny nose

When reporting a possible Covid situation, the person must:

1. Stay at home or in the campus apartment unit to isolate from others. Do not come to campus. Work or attend classes virtually, if able to do so.
2. Call a primary health-care provider for further advice, if needed.
3. If you are a student, notify staysafe@mcad.edu which will email both Student Affairs and the COVID Coordinator. Students, with the assistance of Student Affairs if needed, must notify their instructors to let them know that they are unable to attend an onsite class and/or feel unwell enough to complete online coursework.
4. If you are a faculty or staff member, report your absence as soon as is practicable to your supervisor and notify staysafe@mcad.edu. Faculty please see section 5.1 Remote Teaching.
5. After sending the email to staysafe@mcad.edu, you will receive an automated email response

asking you to fill out an [Exposure Report Form](#).

Your health care provider will inform you of when you can safely return to campus. Before returning to campus, you must seek final clearance from the MCAD Covid Coordinator.

In all cases, confidentiality will be preserved in accordance with the law.

3.3. Going Home When Sick

Individuals who become ill while they are on campus must go home. If a manager observes that an employee is working on campus while sick, the manager must send the employee home.

Students who are ill should be directed to return to their home or residence hall room. Individuals who become ill at work with any symptoms of COVID (listed in the “**Screening Expectations**” section) must follow the reporting protocol addressed in the “**Reporting to the College**” section.

3.4. MCAD Response to Confirmed Cases

When a community member notifies the college of a confirmed case, MCAD will:

1. Contact the person displaying COVID symptoms by phone or email.
2. Provide the individual and other impacted individuals with information related to required isolation or quarantine and determine what, if any, additional cleaning is required.
3. Notify any MCAD close contacts. The name of the individual with COVID-19 and identifying details will not be used, unless permission has been granted. If any of these close contacts begin to experience COVID-like symptoms, they should report to the college (section 3.2).
4. Coordinate with MDH and determine if any additional notices are required.

MCAD has reserved a limited number of isolation rooms for COVID-positive resident students. If needed to control the spread of the virus, a COVID-positive resident student may be relocated to an isolation room for the duration of their illness.

MCAD has Student Affairs and Covid Specialist case managers who will provide follow up to individuals to assist with support services, information, and clearance.

3.5. Isolation and Quarantine

Fully vaccinated individuals (at least two weeks past the final dose of vaccine), are not required to isolate or quarantine themselves if they are exposed to, or have close contact with, a Covid-positive case **unless they begin to display symptoms themselves or receive a positive result of a Covid test**. If you have had close contact with a confirmed Covid-positive individual, CDC recommends that you get tested 5 days after your exposure while consistently masking and distancing yourself until you receive your test results.

Some ‘breakthrough’ cases of COVID transmission have been known to occur in vaccinated individuals. If this is the case, the individual should report their symptoms to MCAD, begin isolation/quarantine procedures, and assist with contact tracing (Section 3.2).

Symptomatic individuals will be encouraged to take a COVID test while quarantining, to definitively affirm if they have COVID or not.

In general, vaccinated individuals that test Covid-positive are expected to:

1. Stay home for at least 5 full days since symptoms first appeared or positive test results were received and until they have been fever-free for 24 hours (without use of medications).

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2. Undergo a Covid test (rapid antigen or PCR) after the 5-day isolation period that shows a definitively negative test result. If the test result shows positive, the individual must continue to isolate 5 more days, for a full 10-day period. And,
3. Continue to practice CDC recommended precautions until day 10 since onset of symptoms or positive result received. (CDC recommended precautions include wearing a well-fitting mask around others, avoiding places where masks cannot be worn, avoiding travel, and avoiding being around others who are more likely to get sick.)

If the symptomatic individual has unvaccinated roommates, housemates, family members, etc, the individual will isolate themselves from those others to prevent the spread of the virus. If the symptomatic individual's contacts are all fully vaccinated, the individual should remain at home and avoid unnecessary contact until no longer sick but additional isolation/quarantine protocols are not necessary.

Any unvaccinated MCAD individuals must continue to follow CDC/MDH guidance, including a full 10-day quarantine/isolation period, masking, physical distancing, and screening for symptoms.

3.6. Individual Circumstances

MCAD students and faculty should be prepared for the possibility of being quarantined for 14 days if they begin to display symptoms or receive a positive COVID test result. Anyone that has been quarantined will not be allowed into the Academic Buildings until their quarantine period is over. Students that are under quarantine may reach out to Student Affairs for assistance with coordinating classwork. Faculty and Staff will make use of MCAD's existing Earned Sick and Safe Time policies as well as MCAD's Emergency Sick Time policies until they are well enough to return to work.

3.7. Testing

Anyone experiencing Covid-19 symptoms is encouraged to quarantine themselves and [get tested](#) through a local health provider or at-home test kit.

Should a surge in Covid cases develop, MCAD may ask all staff, students, and faculty to get tested in order to determine the scope of positive cases.

3.8. Privacy and Confidentiality

MCAD will treat medical information received by the college as confidential. MCAD may share this information with the Minnesota Department of Health as needed to ensure compliance with public health guidelines and directives. Names of impacted individuals will never be shared in public communications.

3.9. Community Alerts

In accordance with the Clery Act, MCAD will inform the community if there is a confirmed outbreak of COVID-19 on campus that poses an immediate threat to the health or safety of the campus community. The determination of whether cases are linked and constitute an outbreak will be made in accordance with the Clery Act and public health guidance.

SECTION 4 - Access to Academic buildings

4.1. MCAD Staff, Students, and Faculty

All academic buildings will remain locked and can be accessed using the card access system with the exception of the Gallery at the north entrance of the Main Building. These doors will be unlocked Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m. and Saturday's 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for visitor access and for MCAD staff, faculty or students who have forgotten their ID card. If the doors are locked, the intercom located at the door may be used to request access.

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4.2. External MCAD Guests/Workers (Visitors, Contractors, etc.)

Effective August 23rd, 2021, outside visitors, guests, contractors, etc. will be admitted to MCAD Academic Buildings with the following stipulations:

- All outside visitors and guests are required to wear masks or face coverings regardless of vaccination status.
- MCAD Campus Safety will have a Guest/Visitor Check-In desk located in the Main Lobby. All unescorted guests, visitors and vendors should enter through the north gallery doors and sign in at the Welcome desk. Visitors escorted by an MCAD community member, may enter any locked door on campus but still must register at the welcome desk upon arrival.
- All outside Visitors, Guests, Contractors, etc. must have MCAD-related business or a specific MCAD-approved purpose to gain admittance. If the purpose of the visit is with a particular MCAD employee, Campus Safety may contact the MCAD party to meet their guest(s) in the Lobby.
- Visitors of students must be escorted while in the academic building and are allowed inside during scheduled business hours, pre-approval is required for any guests or visitors outside the scheduled times. All visitors and guests of students will be required to leave by 10 p.m unless prior approval is given (i.e. for photo shoot, project assistance, etc). The visitor exception process is pending and will be provided when available.
- Faculty must ensure that any visiting guests who are meeting with or lecturing to classes are fully vaccinated and have had a negative covid test within 72 hours of meeting with that class. Faculty are not required to submit visiting guests' test results to MCAD but should maintain that documentation for 14 days after the last day of the guest being on campus.

4.3. Events/Tours

Events held outdoors are encouraged and preferred by the CDC and MDH, over indoor events. When possible, plan for events to be outdoors.

Indoor Events:

- Guests/visitors attending indoor events will continue to be required to wear masks or face coverings. Faculty, staff and students attending those events are also required to wear a mask.
- Events that will include 15 or more guests will require visitors to produce either a proof of vaccination or a negative covid test within 72 hours of the event upon entering the building. Event organizers should contact [Campus Safety](#) three weeks prior to the event in order to work through vaccine and access requirements.
- Indoor events will continue to be limited in occupancy to maintain physical distancing. Capacities for galleries will be limited to:
 - Main Gallery: 90
 - Gallery 148: 24
 - Concourse Gallery: 39
 - Emeritus Gallery: 14
 - Tent: 100
 - MFA Main Gallery: 93

Outdoor Events:

- Masks and face coverings are strongly encouraged, particularly if physical distancing among event attendees cannot be maintained due to the nature of the event.
- There are no occupancy restrictions to outdoor events.

4.4. Apartment Building Guests

Resident students are allowed to have a maximum of 2 MCAD students, staff, or faculty in their apartment units. Non-affiliated visitors are prohibited except through approved exceptions (e.g., resident student move-in, move-out, etc).

4.5 Fitness Center

The Fitness Center is available by reservation only. Reservations may be set through MCAD's [Places and Spaces](#) online reservation system. Staff or faculty use is not available at this time.

The Fitness Center will have reservations available for a maximum of two users.

Additional ventilation units will be added to the Fitness Center to assure proper airflow and circulation. These ventilation units will not be moved or adjusted by the Fitness Center users.

1. The reservation schedule is available week to week. Each student may have a maximum of 4 reservations in a week.
2. Students can check the space out for 45-minute sessions, leaving a 15-minute window for the air to purge between users. The exhaust and HVAC system are currently designed to turn over the air 6.5 times per hour.
3. Custodial staff will disinfect the space and equipment overnight on weekdays only. High-touch surfaces such as the entry door knob and light switches will be sanitized more often.
4. Users will be responsible for cleaning the equipment before and after use. Disinfectant supplies and gloves will be available.
5. Face coverings are not required while working out in the Fitness Center if the user is alone. If two people are making use of the Fitness Center, face coverings are required, per MCAD's Face Covering and Mask policy. Masks are required by all parties when entering and exiting the space.
6. Users will be responsible for using hand sanitizer upon entering and exiting the space.
7. Users will follow all other MCAD policies and universal precautions (stay home if sick, check temperature before entering the building, etc)

SECTION 5 - Academic Instruction

Due to the surge in the Covid variants and the possibility of 'breakthrough' cases, even among fully vaccinated people, it is still important to limit the potential for transmissibility from person to person. If a Covid positive case were to occur in a classroom setting, knowing that the individual has had limited close contacts, and who those close contacts are, will expedite contact tracing, facilitate testing, and provide for a clearer, faster response.

For these reasons, MCAD is requiring its instructors and faculty to have assigned seating in classroom settings, keep daily attendance records, and maintain notes if 'close proximity' activities or demos were conducted on a given day.

We encourage all faculty to use the attendance feature in the Canvas learning management system. Due to the individual differences in size, configuration, and classroom equipment used for each class, Instructors should draw a simple but complete diagram of their classroom and denote where students are regularly seated and keep copies for their records. Should contact tracing be necessary, the EHS Director will contact the instructor for attendance records, seating charts, and any close contact demos or activities conducted on the dates the positive case was potentially transmissible. Seating layouts for various classrooms and studios can be found on the Academic Services Intranet page under "[Classroom Furniture Layouts](#)".

5.1 Remote Teaching Accommodation

MCAD continues to work to ensure our community remains healthy and we are hopeful that the measures we are taking as a community will avert the need to return to all remote instruction. We also recognize

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there may be emergent situations that necessitate that we move an individual class to remote instruction for a specific period of time. Some examples may include a faculty member needing to self-isolate due to testing positive to COVID-19 or a faculty member who must care for a child or family member related to COVID-19. In these or other circumstances that necessitate a class be moved to remote instruction for a limited period of time, faculty should adhere to the following:

1. If a faculty person has tested positive for COVID-19, email staysafe@mcad.edu (and follow steps outlined in section 3.2. Reporting to the College - Notification Protocol)
2. Communicate with your department chairperson with academic_affairs@mcad.edu copied to determine the best course of action including all particulars related to the delivery of course materials, make-up time (if applicable) and any additional details that ensure the successful delivery of all coursework. The chairperson will communicate with the Vice President of Academic Affairs in order to confirm the proposed actions.
3. If it is decided to move a course to remote instruction, the faculty member must notify the students in their course of the change via the course [Canvas](#) site and send an email containing all relevant details including the anticipated length of time the class will be remote, a Google Meet link for the remote sessions, and details related to adjusted assignments or course content.
4. If a faculty member is unable to teach in-person or remotely for a specified period of time, they will work with their chairperson to determine the best course of action. The chairperson will communicate with the Vice President of Academic Affairs in order to confirm the proposed actions.

5.2 Attendance Policy

MCAD students are expected to attend and participate in all enrolled courses in order to successfully complete them. Students have a responsibility to the group and for their own learning. Participation and performance are factored into the course grade. Absences and tardiness have consequences that will result in lowered or failing grades. To uphold this expectation, students must participate in all scheduled class sessions and complete all course work and course assignments.

It is critical that all students attend the first meeting of all classes.; Faculty may drop students from a course who do not attend the first class meeting and they risk losing their spot to another student on the waitlist. When participating remotely, students are encouraged to utilize their computer's camera function to facilitate class engagement. Students are expected to actively participate in all class activities regardless of delivery method.

In the case of extended illness or other legitimate absences that may keep the student from attending class, students must contact their faculty member to determine how to make up class time and assignments. Students are responsible for obtaining class materials. Faculty members will alert their department chair. Faculty are not obligated to reteach a class a student has missed.

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If students are absent from class due to COVID-19 they must email their faculty and staysafestudent@mcad.edu. Documented absences due to COVID-19 can be excused and will not necessarily affect grades. Documentation could be a doctor's note or an official diagnosis from the issuing lab. Faculty will work with students to determine how to make up class time and assignments.

SECTION 6 - Off-Campus Students

Students that live off-campus are subject to the same immunization requirements (Section 2.2) as on-campus students.

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Off-campus students should follow provisions of this Plan including self-screening before coming to campus and wearing a mask. MCAD holds off-campus students accountable to follow CDC, MDH, and City of Minneapolis requirements and guidelines relating to best practices in preventing the spread of Covid-19.

If an off-campus student shows signs or symptoms of Covid, they must not come to campus. Stay home, fill in the Exposure Report Form, and quarantine until notified by MCAD.

Off-campus students who violate the provisions of the student conduct code may be referred to the student conduct process. If off-campus students need to isolate or quarantine, they are expected to follow the MDH guidelines for a shared household.

SECTION 7 - International Students

MCAD commits to using the [CDC's International Travel Recommendations](#) for arriving students. MCAD's vaccination requirements (Section 2.2) will also apply to arriving international students.

If an arriving student has already been vaccinated, the student will:

- Have a negative Covid test before flying to the US.
- Wear a mask, practice physical distancing as much as possible, and wash hands frequently during travel.
- Get tested again 3-5 days after arrival.
- Self-monitor for symptoms for 14 days after arrival.

If an arriving student has not been vaccinated, the student will:

- Have a negative COVID test before flying to the US.
- Wear a mask, practice physical distancing as much as possible, and wash hands frequently during travel.
- Get tested again 3-5 days after arrival.
- Monitor for symptoms for 14 days after arrival.
- Get vaccinated as soon as possible.
- "Lay low" for 14 days after the last dose of vaccine has been received.

The World Health Organization has stated that vaccines from the following manufacturers are accepted to be effective in preventing serious illness from Covid-19:

- AstraZeneca-Oxford
- Johnson & Johnson
- Moderna
- Pfizer-BioNtech
- Sinopharm
- Sinovac

CDC and MDH have agreed to accept these vaccines as effective for international travelers. Only vaccinations from these manufacturers will be accepted by MCAD.

SECTION 8 - Communications and Training

The most up-to-date version of this Plan will be posted on the website at [MCAD COVID-19](#).

The entire MCAD community is highly encouraged to sign up to receive emergency alerts via text message and email through [MCAD Omnilert](#). This alert system is used to announce campus building closings or other emergency related topics.

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SECTION 9 - Plan Enforcement

Students are expected to uphold all policies, plans, and protocols related to mitigating the spread of COVID-19. Students who are repeatedly documented for being noncompliant or who engage in egregious violations will enter the student conduct process and may be subject to discipline in accordance with the Student Conduct Code. These expectations extend to all students including those who live off campus. Employees are also expected to uphold all policies, plans, and protocols related to mitigating the spread of COVID-19. Faculty and staff must comply with and promote COVID-19 established expectations. Just as with other MCAD policies, employees who do not comply with these guidelines and policies are subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination, as defined in their related handbooks and/or collective bargaining agreement.

SECTION 10 Appendix - Summary of 2021-2022 Updates

9/8/21: Sections 3.1 and 3.2 updated to reflect that Close Contacts of confirmed positive Covid cases should report their situation to MCAD.

10/20/21: Sections 3.1 and 3.5 updated to reflect current CDC guidelines of testing timeframe recommendations after close contact with a positive case.

11/12/21: Section 2.2 updated to reflect ongoing testing of exempted individuals and to encourage all MCAD community members to get a Covid booster shot.

11/30/21: Creation of Section 2.2.2 - Unvaccinated Exemption Testing.

12/9/21: Creation of Section 2.2.1 - Vaccination Booster Requirements

12/22/21: Revisions of Sections 1.1, 2.2 and 2.2.2. Creation of Section 1.1.1 for required testing.

1/4/22: Section 2.2.1 - Vaccination Booster Requirements updated to include those currently Covid-positive. Section 1.1.1. - Spring Semester Testing Requirement was updated to include testing reservation hyperlink.

1/5/22: Section 5 - Academic Instruction updated guest testing requirements.

1/12/22: Sections 2.2.1 - Vaccination Booster Requirement and 2.3 - Face Coverings and Masks updated to reflect current CDC guidance.

2/22/22: Visiting guests moved from Section 5 to Section 4.2. Section 4.5 - Fitness Center updated to allow two users.

3/3/22: Section 4.5 - Fitness Center updated to reflect accurate reservation schedule.

5/19/22: Updated for Summer 2022. Obsolete sections removed, links updated.

6/7/22: Updated Section 3.5 - Isolation and Quarantine to reflect updated CDC recommendations and Covid Policy Group direction.