August 28, 2021

UW-Madison Office of the Chancellor Order – Student COVID-19 Testing

This order is issued pursuant to authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Wisconsin and applicable policies in the University of Wisconsin System, including but not limited to: Wis. Stat. 36.09(1)(a), (f), and (L), 36.11(1)(a) and (c), 36.35(2), Wis. Stat. 101.11, Wis. Admin. Code § 17.09(1), (14), and (15), Wis. Admin. Code § UWS 18.08(9)(b), 18.11(6)(a) and (7)(e), and UW System Board of Regents Policy 23-2, to manage the operation and administration of the University of Wisconsin-Madison campus, including establishing requirements for the maintenance of the health, safety and welfare of the University.

Based on the return to largely in-person instruction and operations and the impact of increasing rates of infection due to the COVID-19 Delta variant, students who have not shared proof of COVID-19 vaccination with University Health Services (UHS) will be required to undergo weekly asymptomatic testing on campus effective August 30, 2021. This order reflects consultation with campus public health experts, as well as consideration of campus and community conditions and local, state, and national public health recommendations.

This order will remain in effect through September 30, 2021, unless extended, terminated, or otherwise modified based on changing conditions related to the COVID-19 Delta (or other) variants, including but not limited to CDC guidance, state and local public health conditions, and campus safety.

Student violations may be subject to administrative actions and/or disciplinary sanction pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code § UWS 17.

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