



## **Pace University's Revised Testing and Quarantine Policy—August 20, 2020**

**Introduction:** The COVID-19 global pandemic is an ongoing healthcare crisis that will be with us for many months ahead. Pace University is following local, state, and federal guidelines, as well as recommendations from the New York Department of Health, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the World Health Organization, the American College Health Association, and the Commission on Independent Colleges and Universities in New York. In this dynamic situation amid national and worldwide surges of the virus, guidance has changed over time and will continue to change. Our policy is based on our best current knowledge, but we anticipate it may change as guidance changes. Currently, given strains on healthcare and testing resources, Pace will follow the advice of a leading infectious disease doctor with whom we consulted: “We all have to compromise between what is ideal and what is feasible.”

As of August 20, 2020, Pace University's Testing and Quarantine Policy is as follows:

1. **All members of the Pace Community (students, faculty, and staff)** must download the [PaceSafe app](#) (available for Apple and Android) prior to returning to campus and use it to complete a daily self-assessment related to symptoms, travel and exposures in the past 14 days and then daily throughout the semester. There will also be a web-based Health Screening Form available for those without smartphones, which can be [accessed here](#). Once at Pace, the daily screening is to be conducted before leaving your home or residence hall room each day. A green QR code means you are clear to come to campus. Anyone who gets a red QR code may not come onto campus and should consult with their healthcare provider or University Health Care for a telehealth evaluation and further testing or treatment as needed. This daily screening test for everyone is an essential component of keeping our campus as safe and healthy as possible.
2. **For all residential students coming to Pace from restricted states as designated by New York State, and those coming from international locations:**
  - a. Pursuant to New York State and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) regulations, a 14-day quarantine will be required. This includes all graduate, undergraduate, and international students who expect to live in Pace residential housing. Pace will provide quarantine quarters in a local hotel for residential students, or students may choose to self-quarantine off campus.
    - i. We highly recommended that all residential students coming to Pace from restricted states and international locations have a COVID-19 diagnostic test within 14 days prior to arriving in New York. Check your state and local area for turnaround time for test results, which varies greatly. We recognize that due to processing delays it may not be possible to receive test results before coming to New York.
    - ii. Residential students from restricted states and international locations who receive a positive COVID-19 diagnostic test may not come to campus;

these students must isolate at home and contact their healthcare provider. These students must observe the required 14-day quarantine upon arrival in New York.

- iii. Residential students from restricted and international locations states may begin arriving for quarantine on August 10, based on their check-in time with Residential Life.
  - b. Students under quarantine in Pace-provided hotels will receive COVID-19 diagnostic test within approximately five to seven days of checking into the hotel for quarantine. Pace will arrange for testing that will be provided by a clinical partner. Students are encouraged to list their on-campus address to prevent delays in receiving results.
    - i. Students whose in-quarantine COVID-19 diagnostic test is negative will move from the hotel to their Pace residential housing at the end of the 14-day quarantine.
    - ii. Students whose in-quarantine COVID-19 diagnostic test is positive should consult with their healthcare provider or University Health Care for a telehealth evaluation and further treatment and isolation as needed.
  - c. Students in off-campus self-quarantine will be required to sign a form attesting to the fact that they have observed the 14-day quarantine.
- 3. For all residential students coming from non-restricted states, including the tri-state area:**
- a. A COVID-19 diagnostic test is highly recommended in the 14 days prior to arriving on campus. Check your state and local area for turnaround time for test results, which varies greatly. We recognize that due to processing delays it may not be possible to receive test results before coming to campus.
  - b. Students coming from a non-restricted area, including the tri-state area, will be required to complete a daily health screening on the PaceSafe app that includes confirming that they have not traveled to any of the restricted states or internationally within the prior 14 days.
  - c. Residential students coming from non-restricted states, including the tri-state area, who receive a positive COVID-19 diagnostic test must isolate at home and contact their healthcare provider.
  - d. All other residential students coming from non-restricted states, including the tri-state area, will begin arriving on campus in mid-August based on their assigned check-in time with Residential Life.
- 4. For all Pace residential students:**
- a. All Pace residential students will receive a COVID-19 diagnostic test within approximately five to seven days of moving into Pace residential housing. This applies to students in New York City, in Pleasantville, and at Haub Law. Pace will arrange for testing for all residential students in the residence halls provided by a clinical partner. Students are encouraged to list their on-campus address to prevent delays in receiving results.
  - b. Residential students who receive a positive COVID-19 diagnostic test will be moved to an isolation room in Pace residential housing. These students should

consult with their healthcare provider or University Health Care for a telehealth evaluation and further treatment as needed.

**5. For all Pace students not residing on campus:**

- a. Non-residential students who arrive at Pace from a restricted state, or who have visited a restricted state within 14 days prior to arrival, or who are coming from an international location or have visited an international location within 14 days prior to arrival, must self-quarantine for 14 days.
  - i. Students in off-campus self-quarantine will be required to sign a form attesting to the fact that they have observed the 14-day quarantine.
- b. For non-residential students coming from non-restricted areas, including the tri-state area, a COVID-19 diagnostic test is highly recommended in the 14 days prior to arriving on campus. Check your state and local area for turnaround time for test results, which varies greatly. We recognize that due to processing delays it may not be possible to receive test results before coming to campus.
  - i. Students coming from a non-restricted area, including the tri-state area, will be required to complete a daily health screening on the PaceSafe app that includes confirming that they have not traveled to any of the restricted states or internationally within the prior 14 days.
  - ii. Students coming from a non-restricted areas, including the tri-state area, who receive a positive COVID-19 diagnostic test must isolate at home and contact their healthcare provider.
  - iii. All other students coming from a non-restricted area, including the tri-state area, will begin arriving on campus in mid-August based on their assigned check-in time with Residential Life.

**6. For all Pace faculty and staff:**

- a. A COVID-19 diagnostic test is highly recommended in the 14 days prior to arriving on campus. Check your state and local area for turnaround time for test results, which varies greatly.
- b. Any faculty or staff member who receives a positive COVID-19 diagnostic test may not come to campus. These individuals should self-isolate off-campus and consult with their healthcare provider or University Health Care for a telehealth evaluation and further treatment as needed.

**7. Any member of the Pace Community (student, faculty or staff) who develops symptoms of COVID-19 must isolate for 10 days after symptoms first appear. If an individual has had close or proximate contact with a person with COVID-19, they must quarantine for 14 days. Individuals who are symptomatic or who have had close or proximate contact with a person with COVID-19 should consult with their healthcare provider or University Health Care for a telehealth evaluation and further treatment as needed. According to the CDC, isolation and other precautions for most persons with COVID-19 illness can generally be discontinued 10 days after symptoms begin and at least 24 hours after symptoms, including fever, have resolved without the use of fever-reducing medications.**