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Coyotes,

It is necessary to take the opportunity to remind and provide the campus community of some important information related to the campus' COVID-19 response. Updates about testing and face mask guidance are included.

### **Exposure and Positive Cases**

If you are exposed to, or test positive for COVID-19, please be sure to report it to the university by using the [COVID-19 Reporting Tool](#), which may be accessed online via the [Report a COVID-19 Case or Exposure tile](#) on the [Return of the Pack](#) website. Campus contact tracers will follow up on each report to gather additional information, if needed, and provide written guidance on quarantine and returning to campus.

### **At-home Test Kits**

CSUSB received a limited supply of self-administered COVID-19 test kits from San Bernardino County that will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis to the campus community. Distribution has taken place at the Palm Desert Campus and a vending machine will be placed at the Yasuda Center for individuals to pick up at their convenience. Additionally, each household may request four complimentary tests kits from the Federal government here [www.Covidtests.gov](http://www.Covidtests.gov).

At-home test kit test results for campus exposures or mandatory weekly testing must be uploaded [here](#) for review by a qualified reviewer as stipulated by Cal OSHA.

### **Face Masks**

CSUSB continues to require face coverings while indoors. Because the Omicron variant is substantially more infectious than the novel coronavirus and Delta variant, masks with multiple layers are encouraged in place of cloth face coverings. Surgical masks, and those with multiple layers provide more protection than cloth masks. KN95 and N95 masks offer the best protection. N-95s for voluntary use are available free of charge and precautions for their use are available [here](#). Anyone may obtain an N95 from the San Bernardino Information booths, Library information desk, Student Union Information desk, University Police Station and at the Student Health Center. At the Palm Desert Campus, N-95 face coverings can be obtained from the Information desk at the Mary Stuart Rogers Gateway building and in the Student Health Center. The department of Environmental Health and Safety (EH&S) also has a supply of N95 masks available by request that are sent via inter office mail. Please complete an [online request form](#) to obtain five N95 respirators for voluntary use.

A limited supply of double layered masks is available for campus use. Complimentary face masks are available at each of the Information Booths.

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