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Office of the President

Dear Wallace State Family,

In accordance with [Governor Kay Ivey's Safer Apart Order issued April 7, 2021](#), Wallace State will continue to take reasonable steps, where practicable, to protect students, employees, and visitors to campus by:

- encouraging use of masks and facial coverings
- maintaining six feet of separation between persons from different households (or, alternatively, maintaining separation between such persons through an impermeable partition)
- regularly disinfecting frequently used items and surfaces

While the use of masks is not required campuswide, please be respectful of others' requests that you wear masks in their presence as they or someone they care for may have a compromised immune system. Some classes/labs where social distancing cannot be maintained due to the nature of the instruction (nursing labs, for example) may still expect students to wear masks for those classes/labs.

Masks may also continue to be required at large events and in other cases where social distancing cannot be achieved. Please check with the event organizer, instructor, or advisor for details.

We remain all in this together and the personal responsibility you take to help reduce and prevent the spread of disease – by getting vaccinated as soon as you can, wearing face coverings when social distance cannot be achieved or in the company of those who need extra protection, and washing hands frequently – helps to show you care, that you are indeed part of a Caring Campus, and that you are contributing in a profound way to our community.

Thank you for all you do, and for your perseverance through the past year.

Happy spring and we all look forward to a more normal fall!

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President



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