

November 7, 2021

To SUNY Poly Faculty, Students, and Staff:

Following up on the COVID protocol adjustment [announced late last week](#), these are the procedures to be implemented on the Utica Campus for Monday, November 8 and Tuesday, November 9:

Utica classes meet remotely

Classes scheduled to meet on the Utica campus on Monday or Tuesday will meet remotely. Students—review course syllabi and look for links to classes in Blackboard.

Drop-off test kits in person on Utica campus

Test kits must be dropped off on campus on Monday or Tuesday by all students, faculty, and staff who have been testing during this semester. If at all possible, drop your test off on Monday before 5 p.m. to provide a broader testing population. Drop test kits at the traffic circle near Kunsela Hall, as campus buildings are closed.

Utica Campus buildings closed

All Utica campus buildings are closed through Tuesday, with the exception listed below. Faculty and staff may scan their ID cards at doors with card readers to access their offices.

Take-out dining only

Campus Center dining hall is open for takeout only. Poly Pizza is open for takeout from 9:00 p.m. to midnight each day through Tuesday.

No Utica campus indoor events

All events must occur outdoors through Tuesday, including practices.

Remote work or liberal leave for Utica employees

Utica-based employees can work remotely with supervisor's permission or exercise liberal leave through Tuesday.

After the additional testing of SUNY Poly's Utica campus residential students that was performed last week, we anticipate more positive cases to be confirmed through reflex testing. While we believe the increased positivity rate on campus, which corresponds with the increased cases in the community, remains under control, caution continues to be warranted until full campus community testing results can be obtained from our testing regimens already in place. Accordingly, these protocols will be reassessed pending these additional test results, and updates will be forthcoming as soon as possible.

Please continue to monitor your email for updates as needed. Thank you for supporting these important health efforts.

The Office of the President