

Classroom Management Plan – AY 2020/2021

A. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Masks will be widely available on campus for those who need one. LSSU is providing a cloth mask to all incoming and returning students, faculty, and staff members.

1. Is it mandatory for faculty to wear masks in class?

- Yes. Per Michigan Executive order 2020-147 effective July 13, 2020, at 12:01 a.m., LSSU began requiring all individuals on campus property to wear a face covering when in any public/ shared indoor space, and when outdoors and unable to consistently maintain a distance of six feet or more from individuals who are not members of their household. The requirement to wear a face covering does not apply to individuals who are giving a speech for broadcast or an audience. [Executive Order 2020-153](#) maintains the obligation to wear face coverings.
- This means that a faculty member teaching a class does not have to wear their mask when they are speaking, but will need to wear their mask when moving among students.
- The current accepted exemptions for wearing a face covering can be found under Section 2 of [Executive Order 2020-153](#), which was issued on July 17, 2020.
- Inquiries regarding policy compliance should be directed to the Human Resources Office. Employees who have concerns about adhering to this policy for medical reasons are encouraged to contact the Human Resources Office to discuss possible accommodations.

2. Is it mandatory for the students to wear masks in class?

- Yes. Per Michigan Executive order 2020-147 effective July 13, 2020, at 12:01 a.m., LSSU began requiring all individuals on campus property to wear a face covering when in any public/ shared indoor space, and when outdoors and unable to consistently maintain a distance of six feet or more from individuals who are not members of their household. [Executive Order 2020-153](#) maintains the obligation to wear face coverings.
- Inquiries regarding policy compliance should be directed to the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs. Students who have concerns about adhering to this policy for medical reasons are encouraged to contact the ADA Coordinator to discuss possible accommodations.

3. What happens if a student comes to class without a mask/face covering on?

- Faculty need to confirm that the student has not received a mask accommodation from Accessibility Services. The Accessibility Services office will communicate these accommodations with faculty in the same manner as other accommodations. These accommodations may include the use of a clear face mask for faculty while teaching.
- The student should be asked to put on their mask/face covering and asked to comply with the policy and Executive Order. If they do not have one available, they should be directed to the designated person/office in each building where

masks will be available ([COVID-19 Building Resources](#)). If the student refuses to leave the classroom, Public Safety (906-635-2100) will need to be called.

- Students who refuse to wear a face covering will be documented and will be subject to sanctions outlined in the University's code of conduct.

B. Classroom Preparation and Cleaning

1. What has been done to prepare the classrooms and labs for fall?

- A room-by-room assessment of all available learning spaces was conducted to determine maximum capacities that adhere to social distancing guidelines. These assessments resulted in moving some sections to different locations, including some non-traditional learning spaces (e.g., Lake Rooms of the Cisler Center). In some locations, plexiglass shields were installed for the protection of students and faculty members.
- Additionally, entrances and exits to all buildings and learning spaces were evaluated to assess traffic flow and in the interest of minimizing the clustering of people and proximity while navigating the spaces. Signs will be installed at entrances and on the floor to indicate traffic patterns. There will be additional signs reminding campus community members and guests of the Four Pillars of Laker Safety, our communal expectations, and a reminder that if you are feeling unwell to stay home and contact your health provider.
- Most laboratories are operating at approximately 50% capacity to accommodate social distance guidelines. Some lab activity will be individual instead of with partners. Students will find personal protective equipment (PPE) readily available in all lab settings.

2. Will there be hand sanitizer and wipes available?

- We are positioning hand sanitizer pumps and sanitizing wipes throughout campus for all to use. Please avail yourselves of enhanced sanitization capabilities for common areas you use, classrooms where you learn and study, and high frequency touch surfaces like shared computers and desks.
- We encourage all students, faculty, and staff to wipe down their spaces upon arrival and departure.

3. What are our planned cleaning schedules for academic buildings?

- There will be enhanced disinfection/cleaning of common areas and high-frequency touch surfaces on a regular basis, especially for areas with high frequency use.

C. Teaching/Classrooms/Technology

1. What happens if a student shows COVID-19 or flu-like symptoms in class?

- Student should follow the [STUDENT COVID-19 Exposure and Symptom Algorithm](#).

2. If a faculty member becomes ill or tests positive for COVID-19, how will this be managed?

- Faculty should follow the [FACULTY COVID-19 Exposure and Symptom Algorithm](#). Faculty should work with their Dean as they would for any other illness-related absence.

3. How do students and faculty handle being able to return to classes/learning/work after being ill or testing positive?

- Students should follow the [STUDENT COVID-19 Return to Class Algorithm](#). The Chippewa County Health Department will support and guide students in their recovery and return to class.
- Faculty should follow the [FACULTY/STAFF COVID-19 Return to Work Algorithm](#). The Chippewa County Health Department will support and guide faculty/ staff in their recovery and return to work.

4. If a student is unable to attend class due to symptoms or testing positive for Covid-19, how will they continue learning in the course?

- The Provost's office will provide the student with a [Required Absence](#) and follow the policy as written.

5. Can faculty use group exercises/projects?

- Based on safety protocols, the faculty member may still include group projects

6. What technology is available for synchronous/ asynchronous delivery of lectures? Will the technology be available to use prior to the semesters start?

- Cameras that allow for delivery of content through tools such as Zoom or Big Blue Button will be available in a number of classrooms. Faculty utilizing those classrooms will be able to stream and/or record materials for distribution to students at the faculty member's discretion and for [University Excused & Required Absences](#).

7. Are off-campus labs /field trips/overnight class trips allowed?

- Yes, depending on the nature of the field trip and travel location. Faculty must submit the [Field Trip Authorization form](#) for approval.
- In advance of all approved field trips, students participating should expect to engage in a health assessment with the [MI Symptoms tool](#), wear a face covering per Michigan Executive order 2020-153, and may have their temperature screened.

8. Are students allowed in university vehicles and boats?

- Yes, depending on the nature of the field trip and travel location. Faculty must submit the [Field Trip Authorization form](#) for approval.
- In advance of all approved field trips, students participating should expect to engage in a health assessment with the [MI Symptoms tool](#), wear a face covering per Michigan Executive order 2020-153, and may have their temperature screened.
- Faculty members and students will need to adhere to guidelines outlined in the [Motor Pool Vehicle Sanitation policy and Vehicle policy](#).

9. What is the impact on commuter students?

- Commuter students will be expected to adhere to the same Social Distancing, Masking, and Health Screening guidelines as on-campus students.

10. Where can I be tested – or refer a student to be tested – for COVID-19?

- The LSSU Health Care Center has rapid COVID-19 testing available. Please call (906) 635-2110.
- War Memorial Hospital Drive-Thru at Nolte Street, M-F 9-4:30
- Bay Mills Indian Community Health Center every Thursday