**What to Do When Notified of a Positive Case of COVID-19**

When instructors become informed of a positive case in a class, they should do the following:

* Inform the student who has tested positive they must self-report to the university if they were tested off-campus or through a home test kit: <https://health.uark.edu/coronavirus/self-reporting.php>. Encourage the student to also reach out to those they have recently been in close contact with to inform them of their status.
* For those students who are unvaccinated and concerned about potential exposure, they may wish to quarantine for 14 days as a precaution, talk to their healthcare provider, and get tested. The Arkansas Department of Health may contact individuals if they are identified as a close contact via contact tracing investigation. However, individuals are unlikely to be considered a close contact if both the students and the instructor remain masked in the classroom the entire time.
* Instructors should provide recorded lectures (and other class resources) to students in quarantine or isolation. Encourage students who are or may be ill not to attend class.
* Under the current conditions, with the Delta variant and standard classroom seating, instructors are permitted to inform the class there has been a positive COVID case in the class. If the instructor informs the class of a positive case, in honoring principles of student privacy (including FERPA), they should not identify the person by name to the class. *See* <https://studentprivacy.ed.gov/resources/ferpa-and-coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19>.
* If instructors have questions about testing, quarantine or isolation, contact Pat Walker Health Center  [479-575-4451](file:///C%3A%5CP%5C%20479-575-4451).

Remind students that the most effective way to avoid becoming sick with COVID-19 and having the semester interrupted is to get vaccinated.

More information about testing, reporting, tracing and quarantine guidance for our campus is available in the [COVID-19 Campus Guidance Section 3](https://health.uark.edu/coronavirus/returning-to-campus/section-3-testing-reporting-tracing-quarantine-and-vaccine.php).