

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-STEVENS POINT ORDER OF CHANCELLOR THOMAS GIBSON

DATE OF ORDER: June 7, 2021
Goes into effect immediately.

UPDATED - CHANCELLOR'S ORDER ON MASK USE TO MINIMIZE SPREAD OF COVID-19

The State of Wisconsin is currently experiencing a reduction in the number of new COVID-19 cases and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Wisconsin Department of Health Services and local public health agencies have issued new COVID-19 guidance. With this in mind, UW-Stevens Point will relax face covering requirements for those who are fully vaccinated, effective June 7, 2021. Those who are fully vaccinated (two weeks have passed since their vaccine series was completed) are not required to wear face coverings on campuses, but they may continue to wear a face covering if they choose. Face coverings will continue to be required in Student Health Service and on CNR buses or public transit.

For those individuals who are not fully vaccinated, the following order remains in effect as necessary to prevent, suppress, and control the spread of COVID-19 on our campus:

1. Face Coverings. Face covering means a piece of cloth or other material that is worn to cover the nose and mouth completely. A face covering must be secured to the head with ties, ear loops or elastic bands that go behind the head and must fit snugly but comfortably against the side of the face. Cloth face coverings must be made with two or more layers of breathable fabric that is tightly woven (i.e., fabrics that do not let light pass through when held up to a light source). A face covering does not include bandanas, single layer neck gaiters, plexiglass barriers, face shields, goggles, scarves, ski masks, balaclavas shirt or sweater collars pulled up over the mouth and nose, or masks with slits, exhalation valves or punctures because public health experts have determined that these types of coverings are ineffective at preventing respiratory droplets from entering the air.

a. Face Covering Required. Every individual who is not fully vaccinated who enters campus lands shall wear a face covering:

- i. In all indoor public spaces except students in their assigned residence hall rooms and employees when alone in a private, unshared office or lab;
- ii. While riding a campus bus or when two or more people are present in a university vehicle; and
- iii. Outside when not able to physically distance or when traveling in a group of two or more individuals;

b. Exceptions. Requests for exceptions to this order should be made to Human Resources (employees) or Disability and Assistive Technology Center (students) and will be evaluated on an individualized basis utilizing the interactive reasonable accommodations process.

2. Severability. If any provision of this order or its application to any person or circumstance is held to be invalid, then the remainder of the order, including the application of such part or provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect. To this end, the provisions of this order are severable.

3. Duration. This Order shall become effective Monday, June 7, at 12:01 a.m. This Order shall remain in effect until further notice.