

COVID-19 Alert Levels and Response

Alert levels are intended to inform the college community about the level of risk posed by the COVID-19 virus to our community. The alert levels correspond with different levels of operational response and guidance to the community. Each of these levels builds upon the ongoing COVID-19 mitigation measures identified in the community pledge and community standards.

Alert Levels	Vigilance	Caution	High Caution	Surge Control
COVID-19 Transmission	Low Transmission	Medium Transmission	High Transmission	Sustained High Transmission
Campus Operations	COVID-19 Normal Operations	Modified Campus Operations	Reduced Campus Operations	Limited Campus Operations

The alert levels are set by the CSB and SJU presidents, in consultation with campus COVID-19 leaders. Factors affecting alert level determination are listed below. Changes in alert levels will always be informed both by data and by our judgment of current conditions. CSB/SJU will be prepared to move quickly from any level of alert to the highest level if necessary.

Key Factors for Escalating Alert Levels

- Campus infection and transmission rates
- Governor's Executive Orders
- Guidance from Minnesota Department of Health (MDH)
- Guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- Travel availability and restrictions
- Local and campus health care resources
- Ability to deliver quality academic program
- Ability to provide essential campus services
- Access to critical supplies and testing

Key Mitigation and Response by Alert Level

Vigilance COVID-19 Normal Operations	Caution Modified Campus Operations	High Caution Reduced Campus Operations	Surge Control Limited Campus Operations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community standards • Required daily symptom checking • Campus physical environment mitigation in place 	<p>Vigilance conditions apply, in addition to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased communications with MDH and local public health • Daily symptom screening • Limited social and non-class gatherings • Targeted testing of “hot spots” • Consider limiting operations of some on-campus activities and services 	<p>Vigilance and caution conditions apply, in addition to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily symptom screening • Increased broad based testing • Increased grab and go dining • Significant reduction in campus activities • Limited intercampus visitors to residence halls • Restricting access to some campus facilities • Increased restrictions to campus 	<p>All other precautions apply, in addition to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited campus operations • Restricted access to campus • Adaptations in courses

Campus Activities and Facilities Guidelines by Alert Level

	Vigilance COVID-19 Normal Operations	Caution Modified Campus Operations	High Caution Reduced Campus Operations	Surge Control Limited Campus Operations
Staff work	On campus with precautions outlined in COVID-19 Preparedness Plan	On campus if necessary (rotate employees)	Reduced staffing on campus	Limited staffing on campus
Academic delivery	In-person-Hybrid	In-person-Hybrid	Adaptations	Adaptations
Student work	In-person or remote	In-person or remote	Adaptations	Adaptations
Academic buildings	Open	Open with restrictions	Reduced access	Limited access
Library	Open with restrictions	Open with restrictions	Reduced access	Limited access
Residence halls	Open to intercampus visits	Limited to building residents and 1 guest per resident; possible additional restrictions for particular living units	Limited to building residents and 1 guest per resident; possible additional restrictions for particular living units	Limited to building residents only; consider encouraging some students to return home to reduce density
Dining facilities	Open all meals with additional spaces in designated areas to maintain physical distancing	Increased grab and go options	Increased grab and go options	Grab and go only
Student clubs and organizations	Approved in-person activities with precautions outlined in COVID-19 Preparedness Plan	Approved in-person activities with limited capacity and physical distancing	Increased virtual activities and approved small in-person activities (fewer than 10 people)	Limited
Visitors	Approved official visitors, essential service providers, and job finalists allowed	Approved official visitors, essential service providers, and job finalists allowed	Reduced access to campus	Limited to essential service providers only