COVID-19 Stop the Spread Agreement
James Madison University
Spring 2021 semester

JMU strongly believes in the value of the on-campus experience. We are committed to providing our students with the opportunity to attend classes and live on campus this spring. To provide a successful and safe environment, we will need the full cooperation of our students and a collective commitment to the health and wellbeing of our entire community. Students are expected to comply with all aspects of this agreement throughout the entire Spring Semester. This will require the full attention and daily dedication of every Duke.

Students must acknowledge their willingness to abide by this agreement by January 13, 2021 as part of the required MyMadison Spring 2021 check-in process which will be available to students beginning Friday, January 8, 2021. Failure to complete the MyMadison process in full will result in a hold being placed on your record. If you are an on-campus resident, you will not be able to move into your residence hall room until you have acknowledged your acceptance of this agreement in MyMadison.

It is for these reasons that ALL JMU STUDENTS for the Spring 2021 semester are required to acknowledge and abide by this agreement:

1. I will engage in an 8-day quarantine before returning to campus.
2. I will honestly answer health screening questions in the LiveSafe App. I will do this every day prior to coming onto campus or leaving my residence hall this Spring. I will show my Green Check when requested on campus.
3. I will wear a face mask which covers the nose and mouth at all times when indoors, in classrooms, labs, in public, and outdoors when in the presence of others, except while eating or drinking.
4. I will practice recommended physical distancing between others and myself. For most situations, this generally means 6 feet of distance between myself and others. However, if the university provides another guideline for a specific space on campus or due to future guidance from the CDC or other entities, I will adhere to those guidelines.
5. I will not host or attend social gatherings larger than 10 people. I understand that social gatherings of 10 or less must still comply with physical distancing recommendations, mask requirements, and the expectations within this agreement for residence halls.
6. I will adhere to posted capacity limits for all campus spaces including lounges, study rooms, and common spaces.
7. I will practice good personal hygiene (washing my hands frequently, not touching my face, etc.).
8. I will participate in the University’s COVID-19 entry testing program. If I do not complete entry testing by January 21, I understand that I must vacate my on-campus room until I provide proof of a completed test.
9. If selected, I will respond and participate in the University’s COVID-19 surveillance testing program, unless granted an exemption.
10. If I develop symptoms, I will follow the directions for reporting symptoms and receiving care from the University Health Center and/or VA Department of Health.
11. If I test positive, I will self-report to the University within 24 hours of receiving my test results. I will follow all directions I receive and isolate for the entirety of the time directed.
12. If I am told that I am a close contact to someone who has tested positive, I will follow all directions I receive and quarantine/isolate for the entirety of the time directed.
13. I will continue to adhere to the expectations set forth in this agreement even if I have previously tested positive for COVID-19 and am considered fully recovered.
14. I will support the health and wellbeing of the community by speaking up when other students are not complying with this Agreement, and ask that they do their part to protect this community. I will also submit reports of violations through the LiveSafe app.
15. I will follow any future changes to this agreement, communicated by the university through email, if new guidelines or restrictions are issued by local, state, or federal government.

Students living in JMU’s residence halls are also required to acknowledge and abide by these additional requirements:

1. I will wear a face mask at all times while in my residence hall (except when in my own room, showering, shaving, brushing my teeth or eating).
2. I will not host guests unless they are also current residents of my same residence hall and I will not enter other residence halls.
3. I will comply with the posted occupancy limit for all residence hall spaces and the guest limit for my specific hall and room type as listed on the Residence Life website.

I understand that noncompliance with these commitments can result in a referral to the Office of Student Accountability and Restorative Practices for an alleged violation of university policy per the JMU Student Handbook. Findings of “responsible” for violating university policy will result in sanctions and a university disciplinary record. More information on university disciplinary records and the range of possible sanctions can be found in the “Records and Transcript Notations” and “Sanctioning” sections of the JMU Student Handbook. On-campus residents are also subject to the termination of their housing contract.