



Office of Campus Communications

Wednesday, January 13, 2021

On-Campus COVID-19 Update: Positive Coronavirus Test for Employee

A Cypress College employee who is currently works on campus during the pandemic tested positive for COVID-19. The employee notified Cypress College of a positive test result on Monday, January 11, 2021, reporting an onset of symptoms on January 7, 2021, the same day the employee was last on campus.

The date and location of exposure are unknown. The employee works in an office with no student contact during the pandemic. Tracing information provided by the employee states that appropriate protective equipment, including a face mask, was worn at all times when the employee was on campus. In addition, the employee did not have either direct or prolonged contact with anyone else on campus. The employee reported no needs of support from the college and is self isolating in accordance with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control.

According to the CDC, “A potential exposure means having close contact within 6 feet of an individual with confirmed or suspected COVID-19 for 15 minutes or more without Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). The timeframe for having contact with an individual includes the period of time of 48 hours before the individual became symptomatic.”

Courses are not currently in session. In advance of the 2020 fall semester, Cypress College launched its “We Above Me” Health and Safety Protocol campaign, which connected the college’s motto with the need for safety precautions both on and off campus.

All participants in on-campus coursework and study sessions must complete a health and wellness screening in the college’s mobile app prior to participating. Students are not permitted to participate in on-campus activities if they are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms or if they believe they may have been exposed to someone with the virus. In addition, masks and social distancing are required at all times while on the Cypress College campus.

- [Cypress College COVID-19 Website](#)
- [COVID-19 Symptoms](#)
- [How to Protect Yourself and Others](#)
- [What to do if you think that you may have COVID-19](#)

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