

Informed Consent for COVID Testing at Lewis & Clark College, Spring 2021 Employees and Contractors

I understand that Lewis & Clark is making available to me free COVID testing as part of a surveillance testing clinic, in order to promote my safety and the safety of the greater Lewis & Clark community. I understand that this testing is for asymptomatic individuals only. I understand that if I have any symptoms of COVID, or have been advised to isolate or quarantine, I should not report to a surveillance testing clinic. I also understand that if I have tested positive for COVID in the last 90 days, I should not be tested.

I understand the test being used is a saliva-based PCR test. The test will determine whether I have detectable levels of COVID at the time of testing. The test is not 100% accurate, so false positives and false negative results can occur. Moreover, the test only assesses my COVID status at one point in time, so it is possible that I could subsequently become infected. I understand that I should continue to socially distance, wear a mask, and practice hand hygiene, even if my test results are negative, in order to protect myself and others.

I understand that test results will generally be communicated to individuals who have tested within 72 hours of testing. I understand that results will generally be communicated to me via email sent by Meenta, (our testing vendor) or Lewis & Clark, so it is very important that I monitor my email address on file with Lewis & Clark starting about 24 hours after my test and going until I have my final testing results. I understand that Meenta is using a pooled testing strategy. With this strategy, I may receive more than one email during the processing of my saliva sample, but will always be informed when my test results are finalized. I understand if my test result is invalid, I may be required to test again.

I understand that if I am ever informed by Meenta (our testing vendor) or Lewis & Clark staff that my saliva sample has been submitted for diagnostic testing, this means that my sample has been identified as being one sample in a positive pool, and that, as a precaution, I must immediately self-isolate, and not come to campus until I have received the final results from a subsequent diagnostic test which the Meenta lab will run on my original saliva sample. Should my sample be referred for diagnostic testing, I will be asked to register in the Meenta portal and complete additional survey and consent forms. I agree to complete any informed consent forms for diagnostic testing as quickly as possible. I understand that Meenta is under a requirement to report positive COVID test results to the state health authority.

I understand that Lewis & Clark will have access to my test results. These results will be kept confidential by the College, subject to applicable legal requirements.

If my result is positive, I understand I should immediately self-isolate; engage my healthcare provider directly; and communicate with Human Resources and my supervisor. I agree to answer my phone and collaborate in any contact tracing efforts conducted by college staff or public health officials.

I agree to provide a saliva-based specimen for purposes of determining whether I currently have detectable levels of COVID-19. I have read, understand, and agree to the above conditions for testing.

Print name

Signature

Date

Please provide a LEGIBLE phone number (cell preferred) at which you may be reached after work hours:

Phone: _____

Print your e-mail here: _____