

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL ACTIVITIES REGARDLESS OF VENUE

All activities regardless of venue (university-managed and non-university-managed) must meet these minimum requirements listed for the [current positivity rate threshold](#).

- **SOCIAL DISTANCING:** Social distancing must be maintained at all times (indoors and outdoors).
- **CAPACITY:** Must adhere to COVID capacity limitations and regulations currently in effect for that space or venue (consult [current executive and local orders](#)).
- **MASKS:** Cloth face coverings or masks required at all times except when actively drinking or eating (indoors and outdoors). Note that having a drink in hand does not permit attendees to not wear a mask.
- **FOOD:**
 - **Lower Risk Requirement:** Food allowed if served while seated and adhering to dining restrictions.
 - **Moderate Risk Requirement:** Food services Grab and Leave only. Food must be made available only at end of activity for attendees to grab and then leave the venue/area to discourage mingling.
- **EVENT MONITORS:** Minimum of three designated Event Monitors must be present.
- **ATTENDEE LIST:** Attendee list provided to OMSU or FSL at least seven days in advance. Only current students and/or organization advisors will be allowed to attend.
- **REGISTRATION:** Activities must be registered in [ForUM](#). Activities prior to March 11 must be registered seven days in advance. Activities on or after March 11 must be registered 15 business days in advance. See [Event Registration information](#). In addition, the OMSU has a helpful [event checklist](#) to help RSOs plan successful events.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR NON-UNIVERSITY-MANAGED VENUES

All activities in non-university-managed venues, must meet the minimum requirements listed above in addition to these following requirements listed for the [current positivity rate threshold](#).

- **TESTING:**
 - **Lower Risk Requirement:** 25% of attendees must go through Asymptomatic Testing Program the week of activity. If an outbreak is tied back to an event, the university may conduct additional testing. Testing is offered Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.
 - **Moderate Risk Requirement:** 50% of attendees must go through Asymptomatic Testing Program the week of activity. If an outbreak is tied back to an event, the university may conduct additional testing. Testing is offered Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.
 - The testing requirement does not apply to:

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- Individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 90 days. These individuals can submit documentation of positive result from a healthcare provider or facility to: [Proof of Positive for Asymptomatic Testing Program](#). Individuals should submit via the link even if they have previously provided a positive test result to Student Health Services.
- If any invitee refuses to get tested, the gathering will not take place.
- Students with positive test results cannot participate in the scheduled gathering. Any student who receives a positive test result must isolate and participate in contact tracing. If the positive individual refuses to name contacts, the gathering will not be allowed to take place.
- **VENUES:** Non-university-managed venues must be reviewed and approved by the Ole Miss Student Union or Fraternity and Sorority Life.
- **CAPACITY:**
 - **Lower Risk Requirement:** Maximum attendees capped at 100 regardless of COVID capacity of space. Organizations can schedule up to two shifts of maximum attendee capacity.
 - A separate RSVP list must be submitted for each shift, denoting the arrival and departure time for each shift.
 - Strict adherence to attendees' assigned shifts is expected, as it timely arrival and departure.
 - Adequate time (30 minutes minimum) must be allotted between shifts for cleaning, sanitization, and air circulation before a subsequent shift can begin.
 - **Moderate Risk Requirement:** Maximum attendees capped at 50 regardless of COVID capacity of space. Organizations can schedule up to two shifts of maximum attendee capacity.
 - A separate RSVP list must be submitted for each shift, denoting the arrival and departure time for each shift.
 - Strict adherence to attendees' assigned shifts is expected, as it timely arrival and departure.
 - Adequate time (30 minutes minimum) must be allotted between shifts for cleaning, sanitization, and air circulation before a subsequent shift can begin.
- **TRANSPORTATION:**
 - Transportation should follow travel guidelines that include 50% bus capacity with masks required at all times.
 - If group transportation is not provided, those riding in vehicles should travel only with those in their social pod.
 - At this time, group travel outside Lafayette County is prohibited unless a waiver is obtained through the Event Registration process.

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All events are subject to approval and changes may occur based on our positivity rate. Any violations of the parameters and requirements associated with registered and approved social gatherings will be subject to sanctions from the Office of Conflict Resolution & Student Conduct.

RESOURCES

- [Activity and Events Framework, Spring 2021](#)
- [OMSU Event Registration Resource Page](#)
- [Registered Student Organization COVID-19 Event Planning Checklist](#)
- [Executive and local orders currently in effect](#) for Mississippi and the City of Oxford
- Questions? Contact the OMSU staff at union@olemiss.edu

GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR ACTIVITIES BASED ON CDC GUIDANCE

The more people an individual interacts with at a gathering and the longer that interaction lasts, the higher the potential risk of becoming infected with COVID-19 and COVID-19 spreading.

The higher the level of community transmission in the area that the gathering is being held, the higher the risk of COVID-19 spreading during a gathering.

Community mitigation strategies should be layered upon one another and used at the same time—with several layers of safeguards to reduce the spread of disease and lower the risk of another spike in cases and deaths. No one strategy is sufficient.

Mitigation strategies can be scaled up or down, depending on the evolving local situation, and what is feasible, practical, and legal in a jurisdiction. Any signs of a cluster of new cases or a reemergence of broader community transmission should result in a re-evaluation of community mitigation strategies and a decision on whether and how mitigation might need to change.