



# The Return of the Flock

EMAIL TO THE WASHINGTON COLLEGE COMMUNITY – 3/4/22

To the Washington College Community,

Just a few follow-ups to the announcement yesterday about the change to a mask-optional policy on campus. (Please note that we are working to update signage around campus, which may take a few days.)

## Masks Are Available on Campus

KN95/N95 Masks are still available for distribution on campus, should anyone need to replace theirs. They can be picked up from the following locations:

- Residential Life Office
- LAT
- Writing Center/OAS/Quantitative Skill
- SGA Office
- Student Affairs Office

Most of the Faculty Admins also have supplies of masks for any faculty who would like to have extras on hand. More are available, so any admins who would like a supply can pick them up in Student Affairs.

## COVID Testing

The surveillance testing program remains in place, so anyone who is required to participate in regular testing should continue to do so. COVID testing will also be available to the entire campus after Spring Break. We strongly encourage anyone who does travel over Spring Break to make a testing appointment 3-5 days after the return to campus. Anyone who begins to develop COVID symptoms at any time – even extremely mild ones – should contact Health Services immediately for COVID testing, or if after-hours, contact the Q&I Coordinators (443-480-1196) and they can provide you with an at-home test kit.

Finally, we want to stress again that mask-optional means that we have shifted from a universal policy on masking to it being a personal choice based on the individual's personal risk factors and level of comfort. And with that personal choice also comes personal responsibility. For the past two years this community has successfully worked together to stay safe and healthy, and even with the loosening of this safety measure we all need to continue to take responsibility for our own well-being and how our personal actions might impact the community at large. **Everyone should continue to make good decisions, respect one another, and consider the greater good.** We know that are, and always will be, better together!