Alexus Little, Class of 2022
President
Student Government Association
Overview of Format & Agenda

- **Salem Ready, Salem Strong – Health and Safety Policies, Protocols, and Guidelines**
  Erin Adams, Associate Vice President for Administration

- **COVID-19 Vaccine and Campus Health Services**
  Dr. Charles Bregier, Novant Health

- **Move-In and Residential Life**
  Cynthia Jones, Director of Residence Life, Commuter Engagement and Retention

- **Orientation and Student Life**
  Cynthia Jones, Director of Residence Life, Commuter Engagement and Retention, and Alexus Little, SGA President

- **Care Resources and Support**
  Robin Campbell, Director of Counseling Services

- **Athletics and Return to Play**
  Chelsey Stewart, Interim Director of Athletics

- **Classroom Experience and Academic Highlights**
  Dr. Daniel Prosterman, Dean of the College
COVID-19 Health and Safety
Salem Ready, Salem Strong

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  [salem.edu/readystrong](salem.edu/readystrong)

- We Are Salem – 2021–2022 Campus Compact
  - Health and Wellness
  - Campus Movement
  - Travel and Guests
  - Social Life and Activities

- August 1 Deadline to Sign Online
  [salem.edu/readystrong/campus-compact](salem.edu/readystrong/campus-compact)
COVID-19 Vaccine: All students who live on campus or participate in in-person classes, studies, or activities must be fully vaccinated before their return to campus for the start of Fall Semester 2021.

- Students may seek exemption for religious or medical reasons.
  - Use the COVID-19 Vaccine Request Exemption Form.

- **August 1 deadline** to upload COVID-19 Vaccine Record or Exemption Request Form to Magnus.

- Students may seek extension if:
  - Unable to access the vaccine; or
  - Started vaccine series but unable to complete it by move-in / start of classes
    - If you have started the vaccine series, upload your first card entry to Magnus to show this status.
  - Use the COVID-19 Vaccine Extension Request Form and email to covid19@salem.edu by August 1.

- For technical Magnus support, contact Salem IT at help@salem.edu.

- For questions about the COVID-19 Vaccine Requirement, email covid19@salem.edu.
If you are new to Salem College, you must also submit:

- General Immunization Records Form
- Health Information Form

Forms available on the Health Services page
[сalem.edu/health-services](http://сalem.edu/health-services)

Upload to the Magnus by August 1

For questions, please contact the Registrar or covid19@salem.edu.

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Face Coverings

- New CDC guidance issued on Tuesday, July 27.

- Face covering policies will be consistent with local, state, and federal public health authorities.

- Indoor masking in classrooms and other public locations will be required if local conditions continue to involve substantial levels of COVID-19 transmission.
Public Health Measures

Physical Distancing

- Campus members should practice safe physical distancing whenever possible.
- Salem classrooms and other campus spaces will operate with reduced physical distancing requirements and higher occupancy limits for fall 2021.

Healthy Hygiene

- Healthy hand hygiene and frequent hand washing are required.
- Hand sanitizer stations will be set-up in common spaces to promote keeping your hands clean.
Public Health Measures

Cleaning and Disinfection

Physical Plant Support

- Physical Plant staff will provide daily cleaning and disinfecting of campus spaces and high touch surfaces.

Campus Members’ Support

- Disinfectant wipes and supplies will be provided at campus disinfectant stations.
- Clean and disinfect personal spaces and high-touch surfaces before/after use.
- Limit the use of shared equipment to the extent feasible.
Public Health Measures

Campus Dining

- Enhanced cleaning and sanitizing
- Seating to promote physical distancing
- To-go options
- Special Spirit Dollar promotions
- Touchless sanitizer stations
Travel

- Limiting unnecessary personal travel is STRONGLY ENCOURAGED.
- Immediately notify Residence Life (residencelife@salem.edu) of any international or cruise ship travel prior to re-entry if not fully vaccinated.
- Follow mandatory 10-day quarantine requirement after international or cruise ship travel if exempt from COVID-19 vaccination requirement.
  - Residence Life permission required for on-campus quarantine.
- Salem-sponsored travel will be permitted during Fall 2021 subject to COVID-19 health and safety protocols.
Campus members must stay home and not report to campus if:

1. Experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19,
2. Positive for COVID-19 (includes household members),
3. Awaiting the results of a COVID-19 test due to symptoms or exposure (includes household members),
4. Directed by Salem College or a healthcare provider to quarantine or isolate, or
5. “Close contact” (within 6 feet for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period) exposed to someone with COVID-19.
Staying Home When Sick

What Should You Do?

● Promptly notify Salem College via the COVID-19 Reporting process;

● Self-isolate at home or in your residence hall room pending further direction; and

● Seek medical attention from Health Services or your primary healthcare provider.

Campus members CANNOT return to campus or resume in-person activities until written clearance is received from Salem Health Services or the COVID-19 Response Team.
In the event of COVID-19 symptoms, exposure, or illness, Salem College students must promptly:

- Notify the Salem COVID-19 Response Team any time by calling 336-575-3887, or
- Notify Health Services by calling 336-721-2713 during regular clinic hours.

In the event of an emergency, call Public Safety at 336-917-5555 for assistance.
COVID-19 Triage

- Salem Health Services will provide COVID-19 triage and testing for students.
- After clinic hours, COVID-19 triage will be supported by the COVID-19 Response Team.

Testing Referral

- Students will be referred to Salem Health Services for COVID-19 testing in the event of:
  - concerning COVID-19 symptoms, or
  - close contact exposure (if not fully vaccinated against COVID-19).

Contact Tracing

- Students who have close contact exposure will be required to quarantine (on or off campus) unless fully vaccinated against COVID-19.
Quarantine and Isolation

- Students who are symptomatic will be tested for COVID-19 and required to isolate pending the results of their test.
- Students who test positive for COVID-19 will be required to isolate for at least 10 days.
- Symptomatic students who test negative for COVID-19 may be required to remain in isolation for at least 10 days.
- Students who “close contacts” of a positive COVID-19 case will be required to quarantine, if not fully vaccinated, for 10 days and monitor symptoms for 14 days.
- Vaccinated students who are identified as a “close contact” will be required to isolate and be tested for COVID-19 if they develop COVID-like symptoms after exposure.
Student Care: Salem Health Services will provide medical monitoring for residential students in isolation on campus.

Fully Vaccinated for COVID-19: Persons who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 will not have to quarantine if exposed, unless they develop COVID-19 symptoms.

Quarantine and Isolation Housing

Residential Students

- Strong Residence Hall will be available to isolate and quarantine residential students.
- Residential students can quarantine or isolate at home subject to written permission from the COVID-19 Response Team.

Commuter Students

- Commuter and day students will be required to quarantine or isolate at home off campus.
Symptom and Exposure Monitoring: Campus members must monitor their health daily and follow the COVID-19 Reporting process.

- See the [COVID-19 Daily Screening Checklist](#) for reference.

Daily Health Screening Application: Unvaccinated students must complete a daily health screening application on their mobile devices to report any symptoms, exposure, or illness.

Ongoing Testing: Unvaccinated students will be required to participate in ongoing surveillance testing scheduled by Health Services.

- Should conditions warrant, student surveillance testing may be implemented regardless of vaccination status.
Accountability for COVID-19 Protocols

- If you encounter someone violating these standards, speak up with words of encouragement.
- Noncompliance with COVID-19 policies should be reported using the Report COVID-19 Noncompliance form that will be available on the Personal Accountability page of the Salem Ready, Salem Strong website.
COVID-19 Timeline

Before December 2019
No deaths from COVID-19

July 2021
4.16 million+ deaths from COVID-19 worldwide and 608,000+ in the U.S. alone

July 2021
3.89 billion + vaccine doses administered worldwide and 342 million+ in the U.S.

Herd immunity
ZERO deaths from COVID-19
How Do the Vaccines Compare?

**Pfizer and Moderna**

The mRNA vaccines available today, one from Pfizer and one from Moderna, are approved under an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) from the FDA, and both are considered safe and effective.

These mRNA vaccines require two doses, approximately 3 to 4 weeks apart.

**Johnson & Johnson (Janssen)**

The viral vector vaccine available today from Johnson & Johnson (Janssen) is also approved under an EUA and is considered safe and effective.

This vaccine requires one dose.

The expected side effects of these vaccines are similar.

Clinical trials for these vaccines are conducted differently, which makes it difficult to compare them directly.

All of the vaccines available today are safe and will help protect you against COVID-19.
COVID-19 Vaccine Less Risky than COVID-19 Virus.

Potential Risks of Contracting COVID-19

**SYMPTOMS**
- People with long COVID report experiencing varying degrees and combinations of:
  - “Brain fog”
  - Difficulty breathing
  - Heart palpitations
  - Loss of smell or taste
  - Chest pain
  - Depression or anxiety
- Risk of cerebral venous sinus thrombosis (CVST): 39 to 200 per 1 million cases (0.0036% - 0.02%)

**DURATION**
- Effects can last weeks or even months and may not appear until several weeks after infection, even if the illness was mild.

**SEVERITY**
- COVID-19 infection can cause long-term damage to vital organs:
  - Heart: Lasting damage to the heart muscle.
  - Lungs: Long-term breathing problems.
  - Brain: Strokes, seizures and Guillain-Barre syndrome — a condition that causes temporary paralysis.
- Effects of COVID-19 treatment and hospitalization can include severe weakness and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD).

Potential Risks Associated with the COVID-19 Vaccine

**SYMPTOMS**
- On the arm where you received the shot:
  - Pain
  - Redness
- Throughout the rest of your body:
  - Tiredness
  - Headache
  - Muscle pain
  - Chills
  - Fever
  - Nausea
- Risk of cerebral venous sinus thrombosis (CVST): 2 per nearly 8 million vaccines (0.0000025%)

**DURATION**
- A few days.

**SEVERITY**
- Expected effects may affect your ability to do daily activities.
- Expected effects after your second shot may be more intense than the ones you experienced after your first shot. These expected effects are normal signs that your body is building protection.

**SOURCES:**
COVID is a potentially deadly disease that is preventable.

The Delta variant is rampant and causing another large surge NOW.

○ This variant is responsible for 83% of COVID cases.

The only want to stop this pandemic is to get vaccinated.
Move-In and Residence Life
## Fall 2021 Move-In Schedule

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*For residential student move-in, incoming students include First-Years and Second-Years*
Move-In Process

- Residential students will receive an email and sign-up schedule form explaining the move-in process (see also Move-In Safety Guidelines).

- Incoming students will be allowed two move-in helpers.

- Returning students will be allowed one move-in helper.

- Residential students and their move-in helpers are required to review and sign the Safety Acknowledgement for Fall Move-In by August 1.

- Residential students and move-in helpers should NOT report to campus if they meet any of the Conditions Requiring Move-In Rescheduling.
● Students who have been approved for a COVID-19 vaccine exemption or extension must present Health Services with a negative test obtained no earlier than 72 hours prior to move-in.

● Students and their move-in helpers must complete an on-campus COVID-19 health screening at check-in.

● Face coverings will be required at all times during the move-in process.

● Students and move-in helpers must maintain safe physical distance from others.
Living on Campus

- Increased single rooms to reduce residence hall density.

- Furniture arranged in rooms to promote maximum distancing.
  - Furniture cannot be rearranged.

- Limited visitation to allow one guest per room occupant ending daily at midnight.
  - Face coverings are required by guests at all times.
  - No overnight guests.
  - Guest policies will be reviewed for large campus events.

- Students will be expected to build on the communication and respect aspects of community living.

- Adherence to cleanliness and personal responsibility for COVID-19 health and safety protocols will be required.
Orientation and Student Engagement
Orientation & Student Engagement

- New Student Orientation:
  - First-Year / Incoming Transfer: August 20–24
  - Second Year: August 21–24
  - Fleer: August 21
  - Grads: See *Salem Ready, Salem Strong*

- Welcome SAFETY Kits distributed during Orientation

- 2 guest limit for family events to reduce density

- Peer Orientation Leaders will serve as resources and support

- Special Event trip to CAMP HANES August 23

- Student Life and Welcome Week highlights
● Student Affairs staff and leadership (OLs, RAs, & SGA) are here to welcome you and build community to support your success.
  ○ Student mentors and leaders are the BEST resources!

● Welcome to Victoria Burgos, new Director of Student Engagement, Orientation, and Intercultural Education.

● Community Standards that support your Wellbeing and Leadership:
  ○ Campus Compact
  ○ Student Handbook
  ○ *Salem Ready, Salem Strong*
WE CARE and YOU MATTER to US!

If you need help or have questions, please contact:

- Laura Neff, Dean of Students
- Victoria Burgos, Director of Student Engagement, Orientation, and Intercultural Education
- Cynthia Jones, Director of Residence Life, Commuter Engagement, and Retention
Counseling & Care Resources
Counseling Services will be available this fall.

Telemental Health Counseling and face-to-face counseling services will be offered (case by case determination).

Appointments can be made by emailing counseling.services@salem.edu or calling 336-721-2625.

Our office is located in Gramley Residence Hall (lower level).

Appointments are available 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

After Hours Resource/Hotline:
  ○ Crisis Text Line – free, 24/7, confidential; text HOME to 741741

Visit salem.edu/counseling-services for more detailed information.
WE ARE HERE TO SUPPORT YOU

● Resource for students as they adjust to college life and their personal, emotional, and mental health needs.

● All services are safe and confidential.
  ○ Students will complete forms and be assigned to a counselor.
  ○ Sessions will be scheduled when convenient for the student.

● Mental health and wellness is important for success in college, and our office is available to help and support your needs.

● Students who have participated in counseling before coming to college are encouraged to set up an appointment in case services are needed later.
Athletics
● Salem College and the USA South Athletic Conference will follow NCAA Guidelines for Resocialization of Collegiate Sports.

● Athletes must complete their sports physicals as communicated via email on May 21.

● All athletes will receive a face covering and travel-sized hand sanitizer.

● Face coverings will be required on team travel buses.

● Physical distancing and face covering rules applicable for each activity and setting must be followed.

● Unvaccinated athletes will be required to complete daily health screenings using the Athletic Training System software.

● Symptom screens will be conducted prior to team meetings, practices, and competition.
Coaches will conduct practices with focus on cleaning and sanitizing commonly touched surfaces and equipment.

Pursuant to NCAA guidelines, unvaccinated athletes must participate in ongoing COVID-19 testing.
  ○ All athletes may be required to test as conditions warrant.

Testing will be administered by Health Services or Athletic Trainer Riley Shore.

Salem will use rapid antigen tests with back-up PCR testing as needed.

Athletes with COVID-10 symptoms will be referred for testing.

Athletic training staff will follow isolation guidelines in consultation with Health Services for athletes who test positive.
Fan Attendance
Visiting Teams
Commons Spaces:
  - Athletic Training Room
  - Fitness Center
  - Locker rooms
  - Disinfectant supplies will be available in athletic facilities for athletes to clean shared equipment before and after use.

A detailed Return to Play Plan with individual sports protocols will be available on salemspirits.com in August.
Academic Highlights

- Preparations for Fall semester
  - Return to campus

- Classroom experience
  - Room capacity and layout

- Support opportunities
  - Academic advisors
  - Great Beginnings mentors
  - Office of Academic Support and Student Disability Services
  - Writing Center
  - QUEST Center
1. **COVID-19 Vaccine**: Submit COVID-19 Vaccine Record to Magnus by August 1.

2. **General Immunization/Health Form (New Students)**: Submit to Magnus by August 1.

3. **We Are Salem Campus Compact**: Sign / submit online by August 1.

4. **Move-In Safety Acknowledgement (Residential Students)**: Review and sign online by August 1. For move-in questions, contact residencelife@salem.edu.

5. **Negative COVID-19 Test (Residential Students with Approved COVID-19 Vaccine Exemption)**: At move-in, unvaccinated residents must present a negative COVID-19 result (copy) obtained no earlier than 72 hours prior to move-in.

6. **Stay Home If Experiencing COVID-19 Symptoms, Illness, or Exposure**: Do not report to campus. Notify the COVID-19 Response Team (covid19@salem.edu) for further instructions.
Closing