



COMMUNICATION MEMO

Algoma U Pandemic Task Force

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MEMO: Covid-19 updates - Reopening and Fall Planning

TO: All Employees, Faculty and Students

CC: OSSTF, OPSEU, AUSU, SASA and Pandemic Taskforce

FR: Brianne Pringle, Acting Director of Human Resources

With promising vaccination numbers and the accelerated move to Step 2 of reopening our province, we look forward to a different, yet more familiar, return to campus activities in the near future. We will now begin to hold small meetings inside and larger groups outside (see details below) Based on recent discussions, we are extremely optimistic that the Ontario government will continue to lift public health restrictions as we move into the fall. Until then, we will continue to follow public health directives as required and ensure the safety and wellbeing of the AU community continues to be our number one priority.

STEP 2 REOPENING PROVINCIAL DIRECTIVES

The Provincial government recently [announced](#) that Ontario will be **entering Step 2 of reopening on Wednesday, June 30, 2021.**

Brampton Campus:

We are happy to announce that the Brampton campus will be open to employees starting July 5, 2021, and we are excited to start welcoming back students in August. With this being said, our direct services will remain virtual for the time being.

For our Brampton campus employees, please work directly with your management officer around your schedule. You will receive a separate memo outlining the details of your return and any health and safety information you may need to feel safe upon your return.

Timmins Campus:

After being under an emergency order for some time, the Porcupine Region will enter Step 2 as of June 30, 2021. This is excellent news for our Timmins employees and students! We ask that you continue to follow the direction of Northern College and to work with your direct supervisors to develop your back to campus planning.

Sault Ste. Marie Campus:

Campus Hours:

Shingwauk Hall - Monday to Friday - 8:00 am to 6:00 pm, Saturday 1:00 pm to 9:00 pm (entrance via Z or U door)

Convergence Center - will be accessible via card access. Please email covid@algomau.ca if you do not have swipe access but need access to the building.

All students, employees and guests will be required to screen in via SaniTrakr upon arrival.

The Wishart Library will continue curbside pickup on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 10 am-3 pm until further notice. Research help is available by emailing reference@algomau.ca or via the [Ask a Librarian](#) online chat service.

IT Services/Computer labs will continue to operate Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. To connect with an IT Service Desk team member, call 705-949-2301 x4450 or (888) 902-7866 during our hours of operation or start a chat session. On the IT Support portal page, search our solutions for self-serve options or submit an incident or service request.

NW203 Computer Lab will be open and available with capacity restrictions during normal campus hours.

Please note that **gatherings** indoors will now be allowed but with a restriction of a **maximum of five (5) and outdoor gatherings can be booked for up to a maximum of 25 people**. Space can be booked through the [gatherings request form](#).

For additional information about the re-opening of the SSM campus, please review our June 9, 2021 [memo](#).

DID YOU GET YOUR VACCINE? LET US KNOW AND YOU CAN WIN!

We are encouraging a safe return to campus, and with vaccinations ramping up, we are truly excited to welcome everyone back. If you received your COVID-19 vaccine, even if it's just the first dose, let us know, and we will enter you in a draw for great prizes! **The contest will be open until August 31, 2021.**

To learn more about the contest:

- for employees, [click here](#)
- for students, [click here](#)

COVID-19 RELATED UPDATES

For ongoing updates, please visit Algoma U's dedicated [COVID-19 page](#).

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