



September 8, 2020

Dear Students:

In order to safeguard the campus and to reduce the potential spread of the COVID-19 virus, Harris-Stowe State University will require all students, faculty and staff to produce negative COVID-19 test results before the start of on-campus in-person instruction for all hybrid classes on Monday, September 21. This is one of many preventive strategies HSSU is implementing for a successful on-campus start and completion of the Fall semester.

COVID-19 Testing for Students:

To reduce the transmission of COVID-19 on campus, all residential students and all commuter students returning to campus during the week of September 21 must be tested for COVID-19 before September 21.

- Students will be required to provide a negative COVID-19 test result before attending classes on campus. Students can meet this requirement in either of these two ways:

(1) On Campus Testing

Participate in on-campus testing on September 16 or 17. Testing will be conducted by appointment only. Appointments can be made at <http://www.hssu.edu/mytest>. The University has hired a private authorized testing company, In House Physicians (IHP), to conduct the COVID-19 testing of students.

(2) Off-Campus Testing

Obtain a COVID-19 test from a licensed provider of your choosing and provide documentation of your negative test result to HSSU.

Students must provide their COVID-19 test results to the HSSU Office of Student Health Services before September 21:

**Office of Student Health Services
Gillespie Hall, Rm 111
(314) 340-5052
healthservices@hssu.edu**

- Students will also be required to participate in periodic COVID-19 testing during the semester. HSSU will provide the testing services on campus at no cost to students.
- Students who receive a positive test result will be asked to isolate for at least 10 days and may not attend in-person classes until cleared to do so by a medical professional and produce a negative test result. They will be able to take classes remotely.

We are committed to the health and the safety of our entire campus community. We appreciate your adherence to these testing requirements and your flexibility as we continue to navigate these unprecedented times.

If you have questions, please contact the HSSU COVID-19 Task Force at www.hssu.edu/CTfeedback or for more information about HSSU's ongoing efforts to help keep the campus safe, see the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Resource Center.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Corey S. Bradford, Sr.", written in a cursive style.

Dr. Corey S. Bradford, Sr.
President