

Subject Line: Spring 2021 Resident Re-Entry
Sent to All Resident Students: January 6, 2021



Happy New Year! By now you have received two communications from Amy DeKay, Vice President for Student Development that details the resident student return plan. Please read this communication in its entirety as action on your part is needed for planning your return to campus.

Once you read through this correspondence, please click on this link to schedule your return time:

[January Return to Campus](#)

Resident Student Return Plan & Dates

Below details the return dates by specific populations. As with the fall, your arrival date will be based on your permanent address on file with the College. Given the pandemic demands, we will be strictly adhering to the below schedule and will not permit early or late arrivals. *Guests (including family members) will not be permitted into the residence halls. Please plan accordingly now.*

Sunday, January 10, 2021

- All students that had already booked plane flights to Buffalo *prior* to December 15th when the College released its plan (who do not wish to change their itinerary to arrive January 19th) should plan to arrive. *Please also see the travel advisory quarantine and testing sections below.*

Tuesday, January 19, 2021

- All other students that are required to follow [New York State's COVID-19 Travel Advisory](#) should plan to arrive. As of now this is any student that does not reside in NY, NJ, VT, MA, CT, and PA. *Please also see the travel advisory quarantine and testing sections below.*

Monday, January 25, 2021

- All students that reside in NY, NJ, VT, MA, CT, and PA should plan to arrive. You will be required to arrive to campus between the hours of 9am – 3pm for a rapid COVID-19 antigen test to be performed. Only those students that bring proof of a negative test within 7-10 days of arrival to campus AND who test negative upon arrival to campus will be permitted access to the residence halls. *Please also see the testing section below.*

Tuesday, January 26, 2021 – Instruction begins for all students.

NEW TESTING REQUIREMENTS

All resident students are *required* to test at home prior to arrival with either a PCR or rapid antigen test for COVID-19. See below for specific timeframes. Any domestic student that foresees an issue with securing a test, may contact the Wellness Center seven (7) days prior to arrival at (716) 880-2155 or by emailing healthservices@medaille.edu. The College will mail a test to your home address and charge your student account \$150 for the test and telehealth visit to administer the test. You then will be required to take the test to UPS for overnight delivery to the processing lab.



Students affected by the [NYS Travel Advisory Quarantine](#) (meaning your arrival date above to campus is January 10 or January 19)

- Students must obtain a test within three days of departure, prior to arrival in New York at the College. Students must bring proof that they tested (understanding that results may not be available yet).
- Students must, upon arrival in New York at the College, quarantine for three days in an assigned location in the North Residence Hall.
- On day 4 of your quarantine, the student will be administered a College COVID rapid test at no charge. At this time you must have received both your prior to arrival test results and your College COVID results. If both tests come back negative, you may exit quarantine given the two negative diagnostic tests.
- Please understand that the College will not be housing students who do not comply with the above College protocol. You cannot just quarantine on-campus for 14-days upon arrival.

All other students (meaning your arrival date above to campus is January 25)

- Students must obtain a test within 7-10 days of departure, prior to arrival at the College. Students must bring the negative test results with them upon arrival. Upon arrival, the student will be administered a College COVID rapid test at no charge. Upon receipt of both negative test results, you will be allowed to move back into the residence halls.

Report Locations

Please note that those students arriving January 10 & 19 are to report directly to the North Hall for quarantine and call the RA Duty phone, 716-570-7907, upon arrival.

Students arriving January 25 are to report directly to the Campus Center Events Arena and are not to enter any other campus building (including the residence halls) prior to being instructed to do so from the staff in the Campus Center Events Arena. If you are being dropped off to campus, we ask that any guests remain in their cars in the lot, until you receive the results of your COVID antigen test administered by the College. Only those students who test negative will be permitted access to the halls.

Please be reminded of your agreement to follow [Medaille College's Code of Conduct](#), [On-Campus Housing License & Residential Policies](#), [Stay Safe Pledge](#), and the [COVID-19 addendum](#). It is your responsibility to know our policies as a member of the Medaille Community.

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If you should have any questions and/or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me via email at cmc658@medaille.edu or via phone at 716-880-2249.

Sincerely,

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