Dear Resident:

Move-in is approaching quickly and we wanted to touch base with you regarding the current COVID environment, both locally and nationally. This environment is ever changing and as you are aware, the Delta variant is becoming more and more prevalent in our communities. The measures outlined below are being put into place so we can kick off the year and continue to provide an in-person experience, protect you and your community, and to allow for a fulfilling fall term!

Chancellor Ready announced on Friday, August 6th that the University of Colorado Colorado Springs will be increasing protective measures against COVID-19 and its variants for Fall 2021 to promote the safety of our community and you, our student. At this time all persons must wear a face covering while inside any UCCS facility, which includes the housing facilities common areas (lounges, laundry rooms, stairwells, and elevators). You do not need to wear a face covering while in your individual suite. In addition to the vaccine attestation, you will also need to provide proof of your vaccination status. **Vaccinated students will need to upload your COVID-19 vaccine records at uccs.medicatconnect.com**. Unvaccinated individuals will need to comply with COVID-19 testing upon arrival to campus, as well as randomized weekly surveillance testing conducted through the UCCS Wellness Center. In addition to testing, we also encourage social distancing and good hygiene practices. These practices are critical to maintaining the on campus in-person experience.

### What this means for move-in and living on campus this fall:

**If you are vaccinated**, you will be allowed to move in without any additional considerations other than wearing your face covering while inside any housing or campus building. You must upload your vaccination record at uccs.medicatconnect.com. We do ask that you limit help to two family members or friends to assist you with moving in and note that everyone must wear a face covering while moving in.

**If you are unvaccinated**, you will be required to test upon arrival at our check in stations located in the Gallogly Recreation and Wellness Center. You will also be required to participate in random surveillance testing that will be conducted weekly after moving in. Vaccinations will be available through the Wellness Center if you wish to be vaccinated on campus. We do ask that you limit help to two family members or friends to assist you with moving in and note that everyone must wear a face covering while moving in.

# HOW TO UPLOAD YOUR IMMUNIZATION RECORDS

- 1. Use your computer, tablet, or smartphone to access the Wellness Center Portal at <u>uccs.medicatconnect.com</u>
- 2. Login with your UCCS username and password.
- 3. Click the immunization tab on the top menu.
- 4. Enter ALL the dates provided for your immunizations, then click "submit".

5. After submitting all dates, click the upload tab and follow the instructions to upload a copy of your immunization record.

**PLEASE REMEMBER:** <u>ALL</u> parts of this process are required to successfully submit your immunizations.

# **Dining on Campus**

Residential dining will operate at normal capacities. You will be required to wear your face covering in the dining halls. A face covering is required while you are ordering food or walking around; however, you may remove it once you are seated at your dining table. The Dining team strives to make your experience great by producing quality foods. While all food stations will not be open at every meal, there will be a wide variety of options to choose from. Retail food service venues on campus will be limited in the beginning of the term. Dining updates will be sent out periodically with notice of special events and other dining related news.

# **Visitors In the Housing Facilities**

Residential students will be allowed to have up to two off campus visitors per visit. All visitors must comply with all University COVID-19 regulations, have a face covering when indoors and complete the Health Screening prior to coming to campus at: <u>attestation-forms (uccs.edu) (select Visitors at the bottom of the page).</u>

### Health Related Reminders

To keep campus as safe as possible, you should refrain from participating in classes or activities if you are feeling unwell and contact the Wellness Center at 719-255-4444 to arrange for a visit with one of our providers. COVID-19 symptoms can include the following:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches

- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

If you are experiencing any symptoms, please contact your professors/instructors and let them know you will not be attending class.

Should you have an exposure or test positive to COVID-19, our Wellness Center staff will work with you and our office on isolation/quarantine procedures. Vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals who test positive for COVID-19 will be placed in isolation, and unvaccinated individuals who are deemed to be a direct contact to a positive case will be placed in quarantine. Students will need to comply with moving to isolation and quarantine spaces when notified to do so by the UCCS Wellness Center.

The University is doing its part to keep you safe as the COVID-19 situation evolves, and you must do your part by adhering to all the guidelines and keeping up with new University announcements. As things change and develop, please watch for emails or communications from us and check <u>Home | COVID-19 (uccs.edu)</u> for the most up to date information.

Sincerely,

Ralph Giese Director Housing Operations Molly Kinne Director Residence Life