**Frequently Asked Questions – COVID-19 Testing for Incoming Students**

**Initial COVID-19 test (required prior to on-site access; no on-site access for BBS students until after Sept 15)**

1. **When do I get tested?**

* Approximately 14 days prior to being on-site, you will receive a detailed email instructing you how to register for testing. The email will come from [Gladys.Matos@umassmed.edu](mailto:Gladys.Matos@umassmed.edu). Please be sure to check your spam folder if you do not see the email in your inbox.
* Do not make your testing appointment prior to the week of September 14. If you need to quarantine, you must do so for a full 14 days prior to coming on-site for initial testing.

1. **Where do I park prior to my test?**

* For your initial test, please park in the patient/visitor parking garage, also known as South Road Garage. Take your parking voucher to the parking office (where you pick-up your badge, see question 3) for validation. See attached map.

1. **Do I need my badge?**

* Yes. Your ID badge will be initially inactive other than allowing access to the main entrance of the Medical School building to visit the testing site.
* Please pick up your badge at the parking office, Monday- Friday, between 8a.m.-noon.
* You need your badge to gain access to the Medical School building for testing. Once there, security will show you where to go. Once you enter the Medical School building through the revolving door, the Faculty Conference Room is on the right. See attached map.

*Please note: your badge will only work for the main entrance to gain access to the testing site.*

* When you pick up your badge at the parking office, if you have not already enrolled for parking you may sign up at that time. If you enroll in parking, you will receive an assigned location(s) to park and a parking tag for your vehicle. *Please note: parking is something that you pay for out-of-pocket.*

1. **Where do I go for my test?**

* All initial and surveillance testing will be performed in the Faculty Conference Room, located in the main School building off the New Lobby. Once you enter the Medical School building through the revolving door, the Faculty Conference Room is on the right. See attached map.

1. **What ID do I need to bring?**

* You will need your UMMS ID badge to get tested. Please stop by the parking office Monday- Friday between 8a-noon to pick up yours (see question 3).

1. **When is my badge fully activated?**

* Once you have been tested and received a negative result, the parking office will be notified, and your badge will be fully activated.

**Ongoing surveillance testing**

1. **How often do I need to test?**

* You will be required to do weekly surveillance testing if you are planning to be on-site. Please note- scheduling surveillance testing is your responsibility.

1. **How is it scheduled?**

* Via the same link that will be sent out to schedule your initial test

1. **How long does it take for results?**

* The results will be available within 24-48 hours

1. **How often do I need to use the Health Status Self-Reporting application?**

* You are required to report your health status daily, including weekends. As a UMMS student, you are required to participate in health status reporting regardless of whether you are regularly on-site. Please go to <https://umassmed.sharepoint.com/sites/studentlife/SitePages/Daily-Health-Status-Self-Reporting.aspx> for more information.

1. **Where can I go for additional information related to the pandemic and institutional safety measures?**

* UMMS Coronavirus Updates

<https://www.umassmed.edu/coronavirus/>

* Student Life COVID-19 Resources <https://umassmed.sharepoint.com/sites/studentlife/SitePages/COVID-19-Updates-for-Students.aspx>
* GSBS-specific information regarding COVID-19

<https://www.umassmed.edu/gsbs/gsbs-community-alerts/>