



XAVIER UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA

Dr. Reynold Verret
President

December 30, 2021

Dear Faculty and Staff,

In light of the national surge of the COVID-19 omicron variant, the university is updating its Spring 2022 reopening plan as follows:

- Classes will be offered remotely from January 10-January 20, 2022. **In-person classes will resume on Monday, January 24, 2022** as public health conditions allow.
 - Classes are suspended on Friday, January 21, 2022 to facilitate move-in.
 - Graduate professional experiential classes will return in a face-to-face environment as scheduled. Further details will be provided by the Deans.
- **Campus will be open as scheduled** for faculty and staff to return to work with enforced hygienic precautions: masking, sanitizing, and distancing. Detailed department work plans will be conveyed by the Vice Presidents to their respective staff.
- **Proper masking is required in all indoor and outdoor spaces.**
- All eligible students, faculty and staff are **required to get a COVID-19 vaccine booster** prior to our return date or at earliest date of medical eligibility. (*Booster eligibility requires time elapsed since their last immunization is 6 months; individuals who recently tested positive for COVID-19 must also delay the booster for 90 days*). Religious or medical exemptions are subject to approval. **Please submit all proof of vaccination documents to hrdatacollection@xula.edu.**
- A **negative PCR test result taken within 48 hours** prior to your face-to-face return date is required for the spring 2022 term. Test results should be submitted to hrdatacollection@xula.edu.
- Preventative measures such as increased surveillance testing, suspended social events and use of the XULA Safe App daily health check-in app will apply.
- Based upon public health guidelines and indices, plans for our return could be modified. Please check your emails periodically for the latest information.

We closely monitor the prevalence of COVID-19 locally and nationally. In the event of major changes in public health indices, Xavier is ready to adjust as needed.

Best wishes for a safe and Happy New Year,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Reynold Verret'.

Reynold Verret

President
Xavier University of Louisiana