

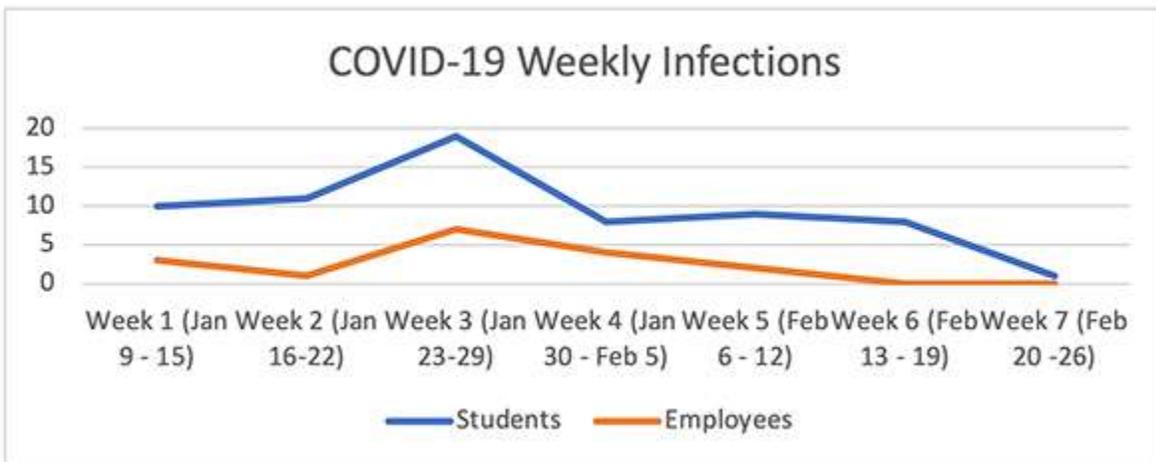
As of 03/01/2022

Effective immediately, the University is suspending its COVID-19 mask mandates for both vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals with the following exceptions:

- Faculty may, at their individual or departmental discretion, require masks or face coverings to be worn in their classrooms.
- Employees may, at their individual or departmental discretion, require masks or face coverings when entering their office spaces.
- Members of the campus community are required to wear a mask or face covering while under COVID-19 infection or exposure guidelines.
- Anyone experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms, even after having tested negative for the virus, must wear a mask or face covering.

The University may, at its discretion, reinstate masking protocols if or when conditions related to COVID-19 change.

This decision was based on declining campus infections (last week only 1 COVID-19 infection was reported – see chart below), low infection rates overall compared to previous semesters, and relaxation of safety protocols nationwide. The transmission rate for this semester has been much less than anticipated given the reported behavior of the Omicron variant. While both vaccinated and unvaccinated students have tested positive at proportional rates, the evidence suggests vaccination (estimated to be over 70% of the campus community) has had a positive impact on containing the spread of the virus. The University continues to recommend vaccination, including booster shots, as the best defense against COVID-19.



If you have not been vaccinated, please consider protecting yourself and others by getting your shot. The vaccine is also readily available in our community. Here are the vaccination clinics being held weekly in Barbour County. You can call the Health Department at 304-457-1670 for more information.

Recurring vaccination clinics are held each week in Barbour County

Monday: 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Maces Pharmacy, 440 South Main Street, Philippi, WV 26416.

Tuesday: 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Barbour County Health Department, 109 Wabash Avenue, Philippi, WV 26416.

Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., appointment required 304-823-2800 or 304-457-2800, Myers Clinic, 3 Health Care Dr. Philippi, WV 26416 and Belington Medical Clinic, 70 North Sturmer Street, Belington, WV 26250.

Thursday: 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Maces Pharmacy, 204 Crim Avenue, Belington, WV 26250.

Friday: 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Barbour County Health Department, 109 Wabash Avenue, Philippi, WV 26416.

For your convenience, we have listed the most frequently contacted support offices at Alderson Broaddus University below:

Student Affairs Office: studentaffairs@ab.edu

Admissions Office: admissions@ab.edu

Business Office: bo@ab.edu

Financial Aid Office: fa@ab.edu

Registrar's Office: reg@ab.edu

IT Office: abit@ab.edu

Personal Counseling: counselingservices@ab.edu

Academic Center for Educational Success (ACES): masonar@ab.edu

For all other inquiries, email covid19@ab.edu. To receive emergency mobile alerts, text "Join AB" to 30890.