



Coronavirus Response: **CAMPUS UPDATE**

Based on the decreasing number of COVID cases in Henderson County, **we are planning to move forward with making masks optional for residents and staff in all Independent Living areas as of March 1, 2022.**

It is up to each individual to make the decision for him- or herself as to whether or not to wear a mask in various situations. This means that we must all take personal responsibility for our health. Therefore, if you are not comfortable being around those who are unmasked, it is up to you to decline being in those situations.

MASKS IN HEALTHCARE AREAS

Our healthcare areas – our Care Center and Medical Center – will still require masks for residents, staff, visitors, and others for the foreseeable future. This is a federal regulation. If you visit the Care Center or Medical Center, you must wear a mask and check in at the main entrance, following all check-in procedures.

MOVING FORWARD

While we are happy to see COVID numbers decreasing, it remains imperative that you continue to:

- Inform ILS IMMEDIATELY if you are sick, being tested for COVID-19, have been in direct contact with someone being tested, or think you have been exposed to someone infected with the virus. Stay home, follow up with your doctor, and call ILS for specific directions regarding your situation.
- If you are in quarantine, remain at home and not be in public spaces on- or off-campus. Call ILS for any support you require during your quarantine;
- Practice routine and vigorous hand-washing;
- Inform us of overnight travel off campus using the Absence Notification Form on the Hub or by calling the front desk;
- Stay abreast of campus updates by tuning in to campus channel 56, monitoring the Hub's "Coronavirus Preparedness" module, and/or visiting www.carolinavillage.com/news/coronavirus-preparedness. Encourage your family and friends to do the same.

Future restrictions and guidelines may be imposed based on COVID developments on our campus.

Thank you for your ongoing cooperation.