Pre-Semester Quarantine Information Sheet for International Students and Students from U.S. States Required to Quarantine

Per an executive order issued by Rhode Island Gov. Gina Raimondo on June 29, a travel advisory is in place for travelers from outside the United States and states with significant rates of coronavirus transmission (positive test rates over 5 percent). Anyone coming to Rhode Island from one of the restricted locations will be required to observe a 14-day quarantine upon arrival. Please note that the Rhode Island Department of Health has indicated that a negative coronavirus test is not a substitute for quarantine for students attending institutions of higher education.

<u>Click here for the most recent list of impacted states</u>. The list is updated frequently. Salve Regina will make every effort to update students as states move on or off the list; however, it would be wise for students and families to review the list regularly as well.

Please carefully review the information and FAQ below. Next, please complete the <u>pre-semester</u> quarantine planning survey by 5 p.m. Monday, July 27 so we can prepare to support your quarantine.

Quarantine Plan

Salve Regina's quarantine plan is designed to allow you to complete your quarantine in time to participate in your first scheduled campus activity in person (international student Orientation, Week of Welcome or first day of classes). There is no charge for quarantine housing or the quarantine food plan.

Quarantine cannot be conducted in your home state and a negative test prior to arrival or during the quarantine period will not exempt you from the quarantine requirement. However, taking a test within a week prior to departure for Salve Regina and getting results prior to travel may be a good idea in order to avoid traveling and testing positive upon arrival. Symptoms can appear as late as 14 days after exposure; therefore, a negative test cannot guarantee that you will not become sick.

Students from abroad or from a restricted state are exempt from the on-campus quarantine requirement only if they have not been residing at their permanent address and have resided in a non-restricted state for 14 consecutive days since their last time in the restricted state or country.

Arrival Dates

Resident students are expected to complete their quarantine on campus. Arrival dates for resident students:

- Peer mentors, Orientation leaders, Resident Advisors Arrive on campus Aug. 10, quarantined until Aug. 24
- New international students and returning international student mentors Arrive on campus Aug. 18, quarantined until Sept. 1
- New domestic students Arrive on campus Aug. 20, quarantined until Sept. 3
- Returning domestic and international students Arrive on campus Aug. 26, quarantined until Sept. 9

Off-campus students may complete their quarantine on campus. Arrival dates for off-campus students:

• Arrive on campus Aug. 20, quarantined until Sept. 3, then relocate to your off-campus residence.

Room Assignments and Roommates

Resident students will quarantine in their assigned room. Please note that you may have a roommate who is also expected to quarantine. In this case, you will quarantine together. If your roommate is not required to quarantine and your quarantine period overlaps with his/her arrival, temporary spaces may be used to resolve the issue.

For off-campus students who need to quarantine on campus, room assignments will be determined by the Office of Residence Life.

Move-In

The Office of Residence Life will send information in August regarding move-in times. You will be allotted a block of 2-3 hours on the date specified above.

You are permitted two helpers to assist with move-in. However, please note that the travel advisory requires all visitors to take personal responsibility for complying with the advisory in the best interest of public health and safety.

Salve Regina will not be tracking your helper's status at move-in, but if they are also from a state requiring quarantine, you are urged to recognize that their presence affects the health of the University community. Rhode Island allows for individuals dropping off students to enter the state and depart the same day without issue. If you or your helper is intending to stay at a local hotel, please contact them to confirm that they can lodge you in a quarantine status and to better understand the restrictions that will be in place.

Packing

Please see the <u>suggested items list</u>. For quarantine, you should bring sanitizing and cleaning supplies. You may pre-purchase and have these supplies delivered to your residence hall. You should also bring a supply of face masks, a thermometer and a "go-bag" with clothing, toiletries and learning materials should you need to quickly quarantine or isolate outside of your residence hall room during the semester. You are encouraged to bring materials to help pass the time, such as books, magazines, crafts or art supplies.

Testing

You will be administered a coronavirus test upon arrival and results are expected within 24 hours. Students testing negative will proceed with quarantine. Students testing positive will be moved to isolation housing unless their room assignment allows for isolation. Families will be contacted to retrieve students if possible. Due to this risk, if you can access a test and results prior to travel, please do so in order to avoid unnecessary travel.

Screening

You will complete an online self-screening questionnaire daily. Further details on this tool will be available closer to your quarantine period. You should bring a thermometer and check your temperature daily during the quarantine period. Should you develop a fever or other symptoms, you must immediately alert the Office of Safety and Security at (401) 341-2325, which will then assess you and follow appropriate protocol.

Health Services and Support

Students with medical needs will be supported 24/7 by the Office of Safety and Security, which is a licensed EMS facility with emergency medical technicians on staff and a non-emergency medical transport vehicle. Safety and Security staff will conduct a preliminary evaluation of student needs and will coordinate with local health care resources and facilities as needed.

Daily Activities

Quarantine is different from isolation. You will remain primarily in your room for the 14-day period. You are permitted to go outside onto campus green spaces for individual exercise, as long as you are able to confidently stay at a distance from all others. You are not permitted to go into other University buildings unless otherwise indicated, into other buildings in Rhode Island, on public transportation, on the Cliff Walk or to any other populated areas where exposure to others is likely. In short, you should plan to be inside or just outside your student residence for the duration of the quarantine period.

Salve Regina will offer a variety of virtual events for quarantined students, and assigned staff will check in with you via WebEx or Zoom on a regular basis. Virtual programming will encourage socializing and online connections between quarantined students and student mentors.

Roommates/suitemates/floormates are considered members of a "family group" or "household" and can share the bathroom, kitchen and common spaces within their suite. However, you should wear face masks, socially distance and limit direct contact with other students and with shared surfaces as much as possible during the 14-day quarantine period.

Click here to see 10 tips for quarantine and self-monitoring.

Cleaning

You should follow hygiene and cleaning best practices, frequently wash your hands and disinfect commonly touched surfaces like bathrooms, faucets, doorknobs, light switches, etc. As during the school year, bedrooms and private bathrooms are your responsibility and will not be cleaned by housekeeping. Shared bathrooms and common areas will be cleaned daily by housekeeping staff.

Food

Dining Services and Residence Life will provide you with meals, snacks and beverages. An ordering, pickup and/or delivery plan will be shared with you before you move on campus. You

will be asked to submit all allergies or dining preferences such as vegetarian or vegan in the <u>presemester quarantine planning survey</u>.

You can order food delivery from outside restaurants with the following stipulations:

- Pre-pay for your item online or by phone
- Delivery staff are not able to enter University buildings. They will need to contact you by phone when food is delivered outside.
- You should not have any in-person contact with delivery staff.
- Delivered food can be picked up at an agreed-upon spot outside your residence hall.

IDs for New Students

Student IDs for building access will be provided upon check-in. You will also be provided with your room access codes.

Technology

You will have access to wireless services and will receive IT support for technology issues. To contact the Technology Services Center, call (401) 341-7777 or email tsc@salve.edu.

Mail

You can receive mail and packages while in quarantine. The mailroom will send a notification to your Salve Regina email address and will provide an estimated delivery time. Mail and packages will be left in a designated outdoor delivery spot for retrieval. To contact the mailroom, email mailroom@salve.edu.

Laundry

Laundry facilities will be available in your residence. You should abide by room occupancy limits and social distancing.

Resources

You will be supported by the 24-hour Safety and Security team, the Office of Residence Life, the Office of International Programs and other staff and offices charged with engaging with students during quarantine.

After Your Quarantine

After your 14-day quarantine, if you have not developed any coronavirus symptoms, you will be allowed to leave your room and participate in University and community activities in accordance with Salve Regina's health and safety guidelines, updated student code of conduct, and state and local guidelines and public health directives.

Frequently Asked Questions

Should I get a coronavirus test prior to traveling to Rhode Island?

Salve Regina is not requiring or collecting test results prior to arrival on campus. However, if you are traveling from a great distance, it may be wise to access a test prior to traveling in order to avoid the risk of unnecessary travel, travel expenses and inconvenience. You will be tested upon arrival. If you test positive, you will be placed in isolation housing and your family will be contacted to retrieve you where possible. Thus, a test prior to travel may lower the risk of this happening. A negative test will not exempt you from the quarantine requirement.

I am a resident student. Can I quarantine elsewhere?

We prefer that resident students quarantine at Salve Regina. However, quarantine conducted in Rhode Island or a non-impacted state can be requested. If you are seeking to quarantine elsewhere, you must submit an attestation of your quarantine plans in the <u>pre-semester</u> quarantine planning survey.

I am an off-campus student. Can I quarantine in my apartment?

If your off-campus apartment is available as of Aug. 26 and you are able to safely quarantine there until Sept. 8, you may do so. Please consult with your roommate(s) to determine the best plan. Students required to quarantine should generally not be in close quarters with non-quarantining students. If you are seeking to quarantine elsewhere, you must submit an attestation of your quarantine plans in the pre-semester quarantine planning survey.

I am an off-campus student who cannot access my apartment prior to the fall semester. Can I quarantine elsewhere?

Quarantine conducted elsewhere in Rhode Island or a non-impacted state can be requested. Students required to quarantine should generally not be in close quarters with non-quarantining residents of other properties. If you are seeking to quarantine elsewhere, you must submit an attestation of your quarantine plans in the <u>pre-semester quarantine planning survey</u>.

I am an off-campus student who will quarantine on campus, but I cannot access my apartment until after Sept. 3. What should I do about this gap in housing?

You should seek off-campus solutions in consultation with your family. A list of Salve Regina's hotel partners is available at salve.edu/hotel-partners. If you have concerns about this scenario, please email the Office of Residence Life at residencelife@salve.edu.

What if my state moves off the list of states required to quarantine, but I have already booked my flight to attend quarantine?

In this case we will work with you. If you are able to change your flight, you may revert to your original plans. If you are unable to change your flight, we will accommodate you during your scheduled quarantine period.