

COVID-19 Compliance Survey Results

391 total responses

240 qualifying responses from those who regularly worked on campus

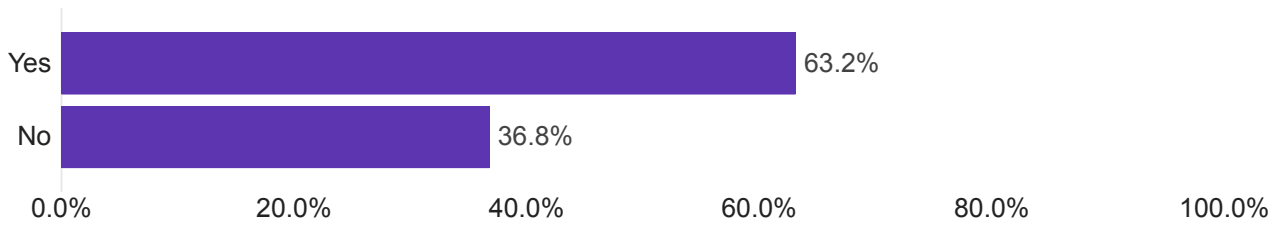
Survey administered 9/8/20 - 9/10/20



Over the last two weeks, have you worked on campus on a regular basis?

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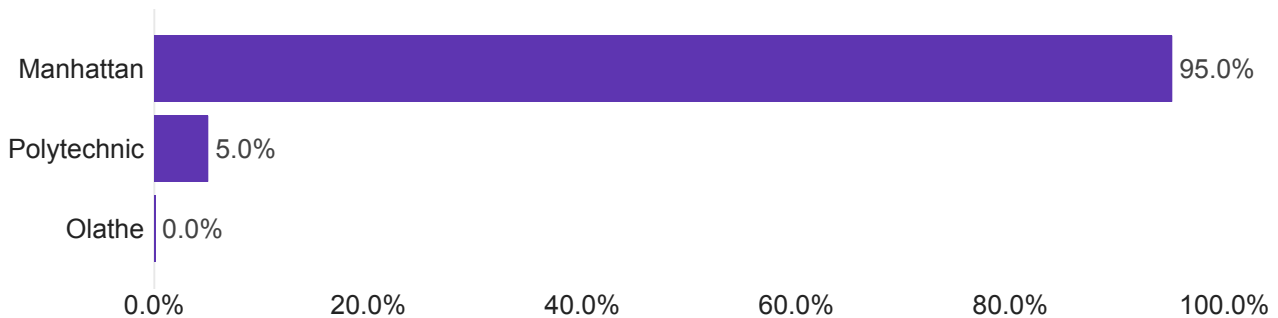
Field	Percentage
Yes	63.2%
No	36.8%



On what campus are you primarily located?

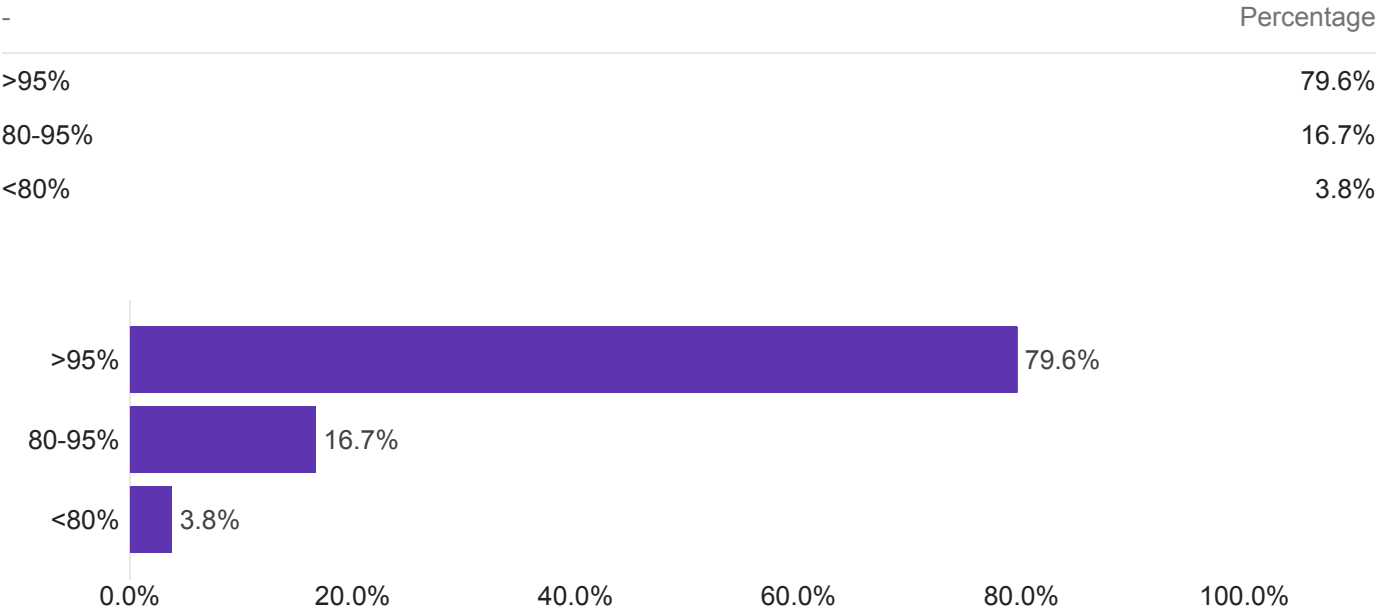
242 Responses

-	Percentage
Manhattan	95.0%
Polytechnic	5.0%
Olathe	0.0%



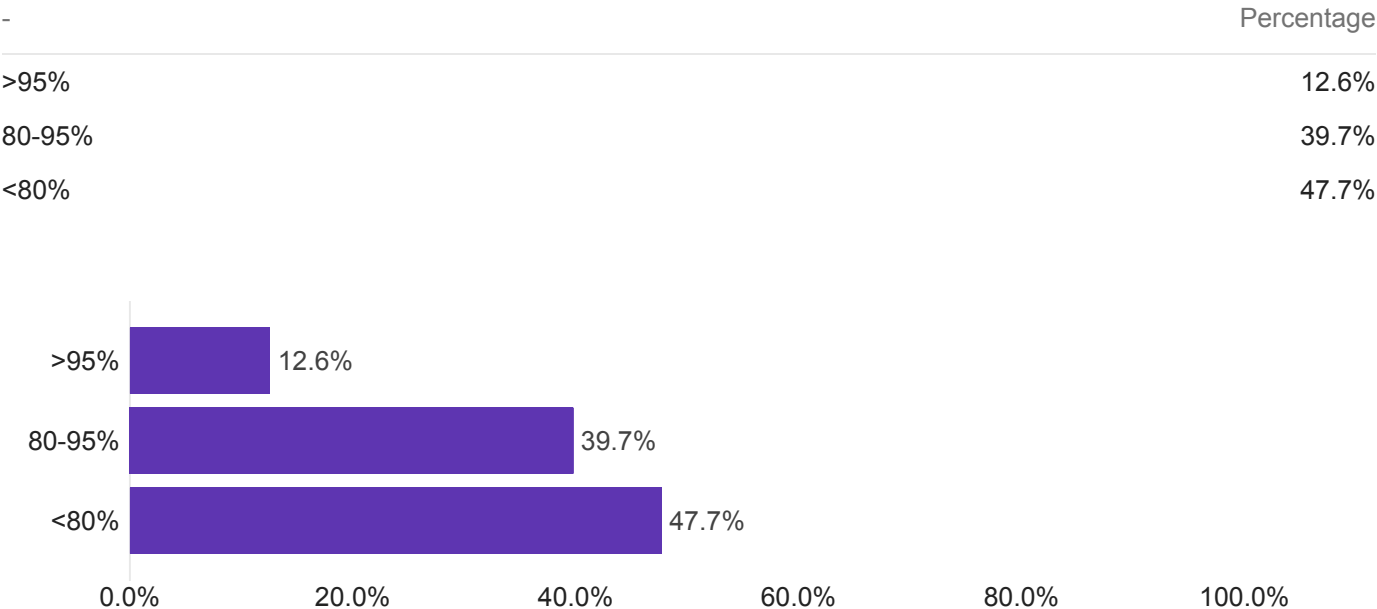
1. Approximately what percentage of students, faculty, and staff have you observed wearing face coverings inside campus buildings and classrooms?

240 Responses



2. Approximately what percentage of students, faculty, and staff have you observed wearing face coverings outside while on campus?

239 Responses



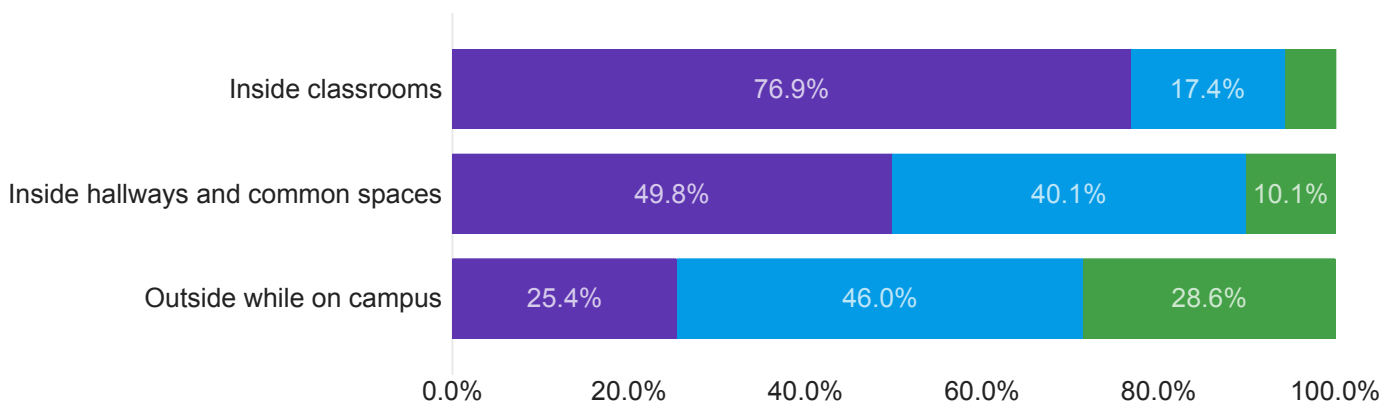
3. Based on your observations, have faculty, staff, and students adhered to 6-foot social distancing requirements in the following situations?

241 Responses

	Yes, for the most part	Somewhat	No, for the most part	Can't judge
Inside classrooms	38.8%	8.8%	2.9%	49.6%
Inside building hallways and other common spaces	47.1%	37.9%	9.6%	5.4%
Outside while on campus	23.9%	43.3%	26.9%	5.9%

Chart below excludes Can't Judge

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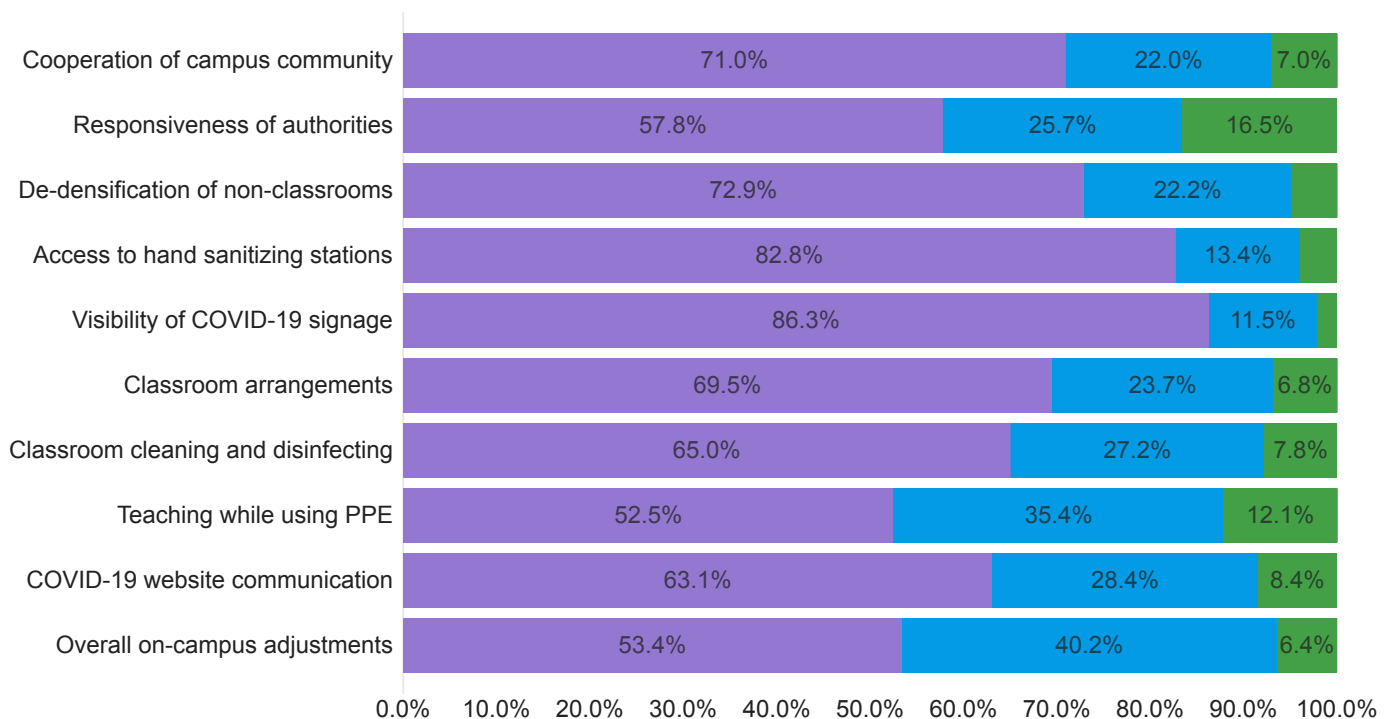
4. From your perspective, what has gone well or not gone well in the past two weeks regarding COVID-19 protocols and compliance?

239 Responses

Field	Has Gone Well	Some Issues	Has Not Gone Well	Can't Judge
Cooperation of campus community members when asked to comply with policies	55.5%	17.2%	5.5%	21.8%
Responsiveness of applicable authorities when issues arise	26.4%	11.7%	7.5%	54.4%
De-densification of non-classroom spaces in campus buildings	43.9%	13.4%	2.9%	39.7%
Access to hand sanitizing stations	80.3%	13.0%	3.8%	2.9%
Visibility of COVID-19 signage	86.0%	11.5%	2.1%	0.4%
Classroom arrangements for social distancing	34.5%	11.8%	3.4%	50.4%
Classroom cleaning and disinfecting	28.3%	11.8%	3.4%	56.5%
Teaching while using personal protective equipment	21.8%	14.6%	5.0%	58.6%
Communication provided through the COVID-19 website	60.2%	27.1%	8.1%	4.7%
Overall on-campus adjustments for COVID-19	49.6%	37.3%	5.9%	7.2%

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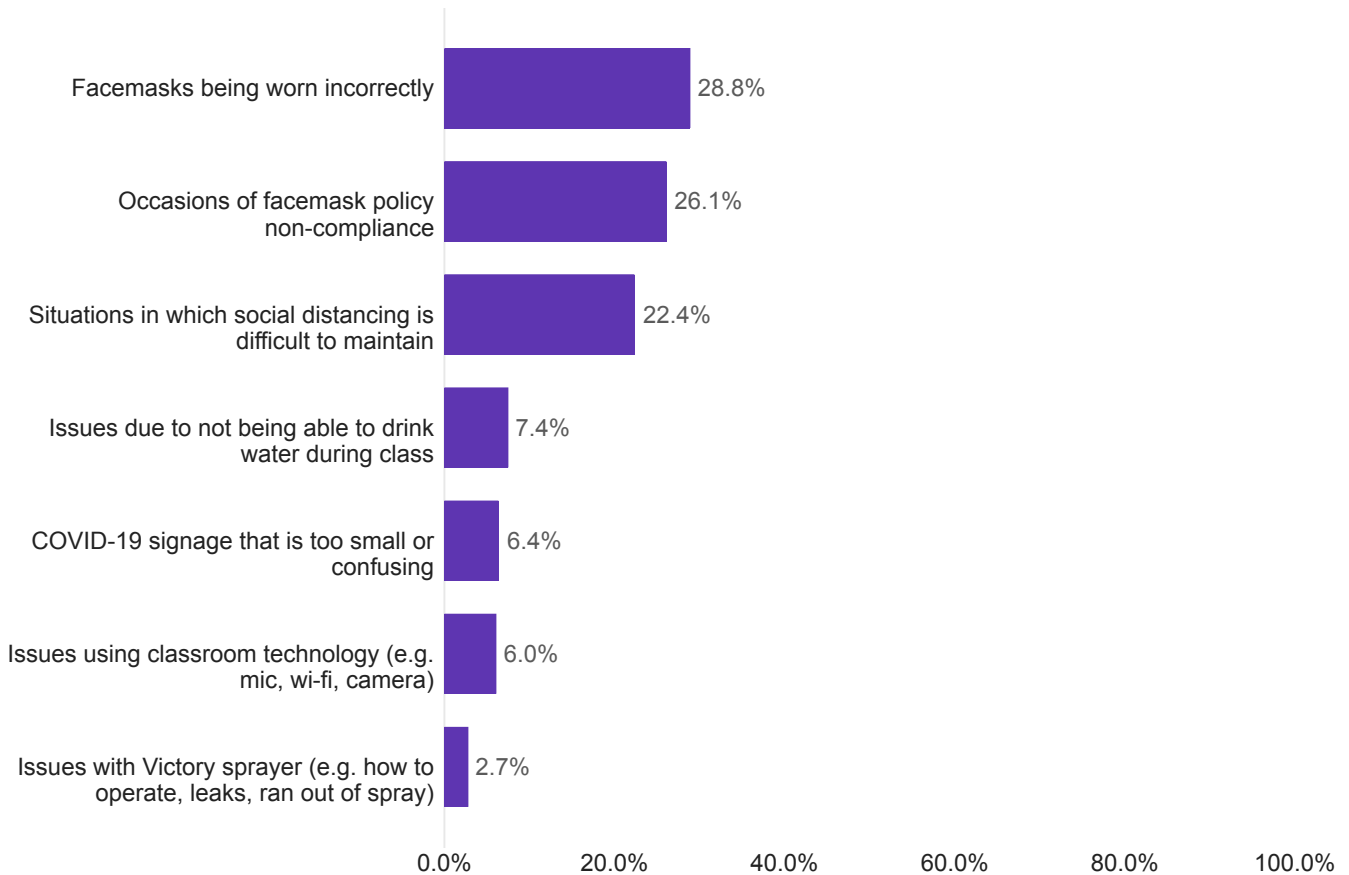
● Has Gone Well ● Some Issues ● Has Not Gone Well



5. From your perspective, which of following specific issues have you observed or experienced in the past two weeks while working on campus? (select all that apply)

209 Responses

	Percentage of Choices
Facemasks being worn incorrectly	28.8%
Occasions of facemask policy non-compliance	26.1%
Situations in which social distancing is difficult to maintain	22.4%
Issues due to not being able to drink water during class	7.4%
COVID-19 signage that is too small or confusing	6.4%
Issues using classroom technology (e.g. mic, wi-fi, camera)	6.0%
Issues with Victory sprayer (e.g. how to operate, leaks, ran out of spray)	2.7%



COVID-19 Compliance Survey Comments

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1a. Further comments about face covering compliance inside buildings and classrooms

Although they've been wearing face coverings, a notable number have not had the mask covering their nose too. I've had to ask about 2-5 people a day to wear their mask properly.

Most of the students wear neck gaiters instead of masks.

I have noticed that construction contractors in our building are far less likely to wear masks.

Patrons at the library are very resistant to wearing masks in the collaboration rooms, and because we don't know them, it is difficult to enforce. Even repeated requests/reminders are ignored (they put the mask on and immediately remove it when we walk away).

Some students still aren't doing a great job of keeping them on their noses. I also am reminding students about the no food and drink allowed in classrooms. I made this announcement before the course started on Canvas, but I teach first year students and so many don't read things they should. Reemphasizing this expectation might reach these students now.

The one-time use masks do not fit well and at least one student worker let it slip below the nose.

Saw one person indoors without one on a weekend. With reminder she put on one immediately

Contractors are not wearing face masks even after being notified to do so

no issues, I have seen all people wearing face coverings.

I think they are wearing them, but I have to remind some students they should wear them above the nose.

First, my office and classrooms are housed in the Lafene Health Center - so compliance with wearing face masks is a part of the healthcare environment; also, our students have done a great job of wearing them while in the building. We have met with resistance.

I have only seen people in hallways etc, not in classroom setting. I think we have a high rate of compliance to face covering.

I work in a building with few students, so my observations are almost entirely of staff and faculty

I haven't seen anyone without a mask.

I was surprised just this morning when I saw two individuals without face coverings in the building.

100% in classrooms; 80%+ in buildings

Usually, when someone isn't wearing their mask, they will put it on if/when they're approached.

At Hale Library, most students who go to remote areas of the 1st or 2nd floors or especially in the glass collaboration rooms do not wear their masks even though we have signs outside the doors and on the large monitors in each room. It is discouraging and frustrating because even if we ask them to use their face mask, as soon as we leave, they take them back off.

contractors with face coverings pulled down under their chin, a few students let the mask slip to expose their nose

I work in Unger Complex.

The contractors who are working on various projects around campus are constantly without face masks. To include inside the Union, buildings, and on campus in general.

Pretty solid.

I have seen no one without a face covering

Only saw one without a mask on at all that refused to put one on. Seen several not wearing proper with below the nose or down under chin.

I had one student who brought coffee to class and proceeded to drink it. She has not attended in person since. I also see contractors working in Leasure Hall without masks. One pulled his up quickly when he saw me coming down the hall, but he should be wearing it ALL THE TIME, not just when others are around.

I still see people struggling with face masks that fit properly, so they are constantly pulling them back up on their nose. Maybe some guidance on how to find face masks that fit better would be helpful.

Staff doesn't wear in work spaces.

A few students did not have a mask upon entry the building but put one on as soon as they were given a mask. Mask wearing is above 80% but more frequently students and staff are temporarily pulling the mask down below their nose. Everyone has been compliant when asked to pull their mask up.

n/a

I am teaching 2 sections of a hybrid course and 100% of my students have worn face coverings in class.

have not seen anyone without a mask

I did see a couple close contact throckmorton greenhouse users in hallways not wearing face masks when they are at or closer than 6' apart.

There is still need to emphasize that the nose should be completely covered when wearing a mask.

If at their desks and socially distanced from others, people are not wearing masks as this is allowed. I feel this is adequate.

They are always wearing inside while they feel someone is watching. The minute someone walks away they move their mask.

Several students only start to waer the mask or wearing it completely when lecture starts or I remind them.

I have been seeing more students wearing them incorrectly (not covering the nose, etc.).

None

I viewed a couple custodial staff not wearing masks appropriatly while working together. I have walked by offices where staff are talking in offices without masks.

Students, staff, and faculty have been respectful and diligent. They are not moving furniture or disobeying posted occupancy rules for study spaces. The only instances of non-mask wearing is eating a meal.

While the students do wear face coverings, they do not always wear them correctly. Also, students are getting lazy about following guidelines regarding not eating and drinking during class. They like to bring drinks to class, and then they won't put their face covering back on correctly.

Everyone in face masks, one professor only wearing a face shield

Someone in their office may have the mask off, but as soon as I knock and enter they put it on.

People need to realize that the face-covering needs to go over the nose AND mouth.

On occasion, there were some individuals that had a mask on, but it wasn't covering the nose. For the most part, individuals were covered.

I work in Waters Hall and really haven't seen a lot of students in our building. The few students and staff I see are wearing their masks.

A few people have not had noses covered

Facilities employees are way worse than students about wearing face coverings in my opinion.

There are a lot of times that people are wearing their masks, but are constantly moving them down or taking one side off in order to have a conversation. Or as soon as the camera shuts off in a Zoom meeting, masks are also coming off.

Pretty good. I have noticed there are quite a few "forgetful" people who walk out of their office with it pulled down or forgetting to bring it and having to go back. So maybe a bit more lax in some areas.

More verbal corrections are required now than in the first week. We've noticed a pattern in that students (and faculty/staff) are more readily compliant in the first part of the week than the latter half and also are more readily compliant in the morning than they are in the afternoons and evenings. For the most part, the percentage of overall compliance on masks is still higher, but less than it was at the start of the semester.

It seems like compliance is a little bit less than at the very beginning of the semester, particularly among students whom are inside campus buildings (but not in classrooms)

The only people I have seen not wearing masks inside were employees responsible for maintenance of systems and/or facilities

We have some challenges in the library getting students to keep their masks on once they settle into a study space.

I work at the Center for Child Development and we require face masks for everyone over the age of 5 who enters the building. Since we're a restricted facility we have control over who enters which makes compliance much easier to control.

Almost everyone. I feel like when someone's not wearing it, it's because no one is around them. Once they see someone, they put it on. The buildings are so empty.

It's been very good compliance. I think the students and faculty are doing very well with this.

Excellent compliance

I have had to remind students to cover their noses. I have seen maintenance workers not wearing masks.

All seems compliant in the space that I occupy most.

Noses sometimes are uncovered

I notice that students will wear them throughout the building, but generally take them off if they're on a phone call.

All students inside the buildings I've been in are wearing masks

All is great!!! Students are continuing to comply with the guidelines. No reason to change anything at this point!

I'm in the Unger Complex, and there are very few staff around, so the percentage is low, but so is the "n".

College of engineering is doing a wonderful job.

I work in Lafene so within my building they wear them 100 % of the time but it's in other areas of the campus where I see mask wearing more lax.

There are no students in this building, but all staff have been wearing face coverings.

We need better enforcement from campus security/ the administration.

Almost all people that I have encountered have worn a mask over their nose and mouth when having to be in close contact with others.

It's gotten better.

Someone should take a walk over to the Power Plant where there is construction work and normal production taking place, and not a single mask in sight. KSU employees assigned there, only a couple are wearing masks as they should and the contractors are not wearing them at all.

inside buildings I still notice individuals not wearing masks if they are alone. I also observe frequently staff not wearing masks while alone in state vehicles.

Some of the worst offenders are facilities workers. Our floor's facilities worker rarely has her mask on.

During class I have had no problems. I mostly see students not wearing masks when they are studying in our building (whether or not they are near other students).

Some students are wearing their masks down below their noses due to the masks being hot. Some have to be told repeatedly to pull them up.

I work in the Library. There are facility and construction workers that regularly do not wear masks. Some students.

people are sometimes lowering the mask below their noses, but seem to be wearing them inside

Not wearing correctly

Some students use the excuse of eating or drinking for not wearing their masks. They do this while sitting within 6' of another student doing the same thing.

Inside compliance has been great, except occasional people wearing masks below their noses.. this is kind of pointless and very frustrating to see.

Other than one student who I asked to cover her nose, everyone is complying.

wearing of face masks is not the issue. wearing them correctly is. I would estimate that I have to say something to about 1/3 of my class every session about wearing them above their noses.

2a. Further comments about face covering compliance outside while on campus

Outside compliance seems low.

I still think students do not realize that the rules were changed and that face coverings are required outside. There needs to be more notices about this outside.

Most people walking alone outside (including myself) are not wearing masks. As you approach someone, about half will put on their mask (I always do).

Groups are doing better

From what I've seen there is more wearing them outside now than there was before.

I have not seen groups of more than three together while not wearing masks.

When in groups

Maybe 50%

I have noticed a few walking on the sidewalks alone not wearing a mask. A few in groups.

I think people feel safer outside; when they are close - I typically see people with masks.

All cases without a mask were people by themselves.

Wearing face masks while on outside campus property should be mandatory...not this stupid shit of "unless you are alone or can social distance".

I am uncomfortable with people who are outside & who do not wear a face covering because they are by themselves. I do greatly appreciate those individuals who do put on a face covering when they are approaching other persons.

most students on campus outdoors aren't wearing a face covering

Many people take off their face coverings as soon as they're outside. Very few people wear them in the parking lots.

A couple times I have seen a group of girls without masks or a group of boys jogging without masks. Otherwise most kids are wearing them.

Since the revised policy said they don't have to wear face coverings if alone outside, I see many students walking alone without masks on the primary routes. While they may be 6ft apart, if they aren't wearing a mask and COVID-19 can remain in the air for some time, anyone passing into the air space just occupied by someone carrying COVID-19 is at risk.

My thoughts.....if you can sit a table of folks and eat at a restaurant for an hour, you probably don't need to be wearing a mask outside on campus.

Not many people on campus, so a number of people walking alone without masks. This is no concern to me.

In between buildings, sitting outside in groups, and around Aggieville you see them not in compliance. Either without masks or not socially distancing themselves. The students, the alumni, and people on and around campus cannot seem to follow the mandates.

Less than 15% of students wear masks while on campus based on what I have seen.

I haven't seen anyone without a face covering outside. That being said, I haven't seen many people at all while outside on this campus.

There needs to be a lot more enforcement effort for the outside ones and for groups I have seen.

I have not observed any issues or concerns w/ face coverings. I think it is reasonable to allow people to have masks off when they are far away from others.

The compliance with masks outdoors has increased. Thanks for being clear with everyone about this expectation.

We don't need one if we are by ourselves or 6 foot from anybody. So this is a good response according to me.

HUGE compliance issues with contractors and others on campus not wearing masks - especially when they are outdoors on campus.

Students aren't wearing face coverings outdoors, even when in groups.

I have also had students share that they do not mask, period, when not on campus. I have observed this once students cross the barrier between campus and the surrounding neighborhoods.

Students are not wearing masks on the west side of campus. They put them on as they get closer to the Union, I've noticed. And they're definitely not distancing. Staff and faculty are wearing masks inside and outside.

100% compliance of those walking, etc., in close proximity to others.

I do not believe students know or care that they need to be wearing face masks while walking in a group across campus.

Some students take off the mask after exiting the building.

In my observations, most people outside on campus do not appear to be wearing masks. If they are socially distancing, I do not see an issue with this.

I understand the environment we are in....but outdoors, not with in 6 feet of another human being, I do not see the value or benefit gained...outdoors. I get it. Students won't. But to be honest, with the case load we have seen of late, they won't do what they're told, I understand.

I see a lot of people walking or jogging up and down Claflin road when I leave at the end of the day (between 4-6pm) that are not wearing face coverings.

People were walking alone, not in groups or passing other people

Most of them are people walking by themselves, but I have seen groups of students walking without masks.

individuals were mostly socially distanced

I would say that compliance outside is less than 25%.

Students in close groups walking to/from class with no face masks on (in pocket, on wrist, on neck, etc)

I wear mine when I see people nearing me. When I'm the only one in area I take it off. I observe most people wearing their mask, but not all people.

All socially distanced and being compliant.

A few students; someone working at the exit of the Parking Garage; a few construction workers.

I think this is hard to interpret and to enforce and people are doing the best they can while still finding a quiet space to eat or to socially distance/

Some people do not wear their masks outside when they are alone (which is totally fine) but then do not replace them or make an attempt to social distance when passing others on the sidewalk.

I am not outside often, but it does seem that people typically have a mask on if they are not "alone." I've noticed students putting on their mask when they pass people on the sidewalk outside, which was nice to see.

I've seen clusters of students near the dorms with no face coverings at all. I was impressed one day that 9 of 10 students at the first stop light I hit on College were wearing masks. At the next light however, it was 1 out of 10 with masks.

Most people take off their masks as soon as they are outside the buildings but they would still meet people less than 6ft when walking in the walkways, including towards their cars.

Observed limited face coverings on campus near building entrances, outside of dorms, or among students walking in

groups. Some students have masks on, many do not.

It's been difficult to spread the message regarding wearing masks outside of buildings. For the most part, individuals seem OK wearing their masks from building to building; it's the parking lots that seems to be the biggest problem.

I think a lot of people think they will be alone, so aren't wearing a face covering, and then maybe run into people?

Groups of students (and other community members) are using west memorial field to exercise together unmasked in close proximity. I teach two courses on the field with masked students and have addressed this with the unmasked folks. They did not comply but simply moved further away from us.

I frequently see students walking on campus in groups and not all are wearing masks.

Hard to tell when people are together and not wearing them, maybe they already live together? (Or honestly, have already had it)

This is difficult to answer, because my work is in a University building that is in Manhattan but separate from the main Campus. So the "outside" here is just the parking lot for this building.

Out policy does not require it not does science. Why are you asking?

If you're more than 6 feet from people outside, I don't think face masks are necessary.

No face covering when around NO ONE seems legit.

I arrive on campus before 7am so most are by themselves exercising.

Some comply when you remind them face coverings are required outside; I'm not comfortable reminding all noncomplying individuals

I usually always see 2 or 3, without maks, scattered throughout large groups of people walking.

Have mainly seen students outside.

my observation is of students walking between buildings/on sidewalks and parking lots. Most are wearing masks if with someone else, but many are not if they are alone.

Wearing face covering outside is a completely pointless activity. There was zero justification for this change in policy. It is just dumb. Zero science or CDC or WHO guidelines to support this terrible policy.

They should wear it.

It doesn't bother me so much if it is a single student walking somewhere but I have observed tight groups with no masks and that concerns me.

It seems that outside, face covering isn't as critical as long as social distancing is maintained; there isn't the problem due to air circulation as inside the buildings.

We need better enforcement from campus security. Everyday many students walk around without mask outside.

Still an issue with mostly students, a few staff.

I rarely observe students wearing masks outside, especially when in groups. Even groups of students do not wear masks while together outside. Once they leave buildings they all remove their masks.

Students around the dorms often don't have masks on. I live near campus and drive down Claflin where I see this regularly.

I would say less than 50% of students wear masks outside, whether or not they were with other students. If students are expected to wear masks both inside and outside of buildings, how are they supposed to get a drink or eat lunch during the day (at least faculty and staff can do so in their offices)?

There is no one to enforce it

Most not wearing face masks are alone.

They walk the sidewalks in groups with no masks or social distancing.

getting better, but still lots of folks not wearing them outside

I'd say it's closer to 50-60% compliance outside... lots of students wearing masks, lots not.. pretty much all groundworkers (e.g., K-State employees mowing, working outside, etc.) NOT wearing masks.. so that has to change- can't expect students to wear masks outside if employees do not.

I frequently see groups of students in close contact with no face covering.

Some are Socially Distant, some are not

Students seem to be hit or miss if they have on face coverings while outside. I do not worry about people walking alone outside without a face covering.

students still do not understand that they need to be wearing them whenever they are in a crowd of people walking on campus.

3a. Further comments about 6-foot social distancing compliance

I'm seeing groups of people moving in groups without social distancing - in hallways, through doorways and outside.

Our building, at least, is not set up to maintain a 6' social distance between people (not surprisingly). Faculty and students both regularly go in the 'wrong' direction on one-way stairwells despite large signs. The classroom to which I was assigned (with the knowledge that I would be hosting the FULL class on all class days) is too small and just to move through the classroom requires regularly getting within 6' of students. I constantly have to excuse students in my face-to-face class for COVID-related concerns. While I completely understand the point of all these measures--I do not understand the point of needing them in the first place. As in, why did we bother coming on campus in the first place!?

Now that they're wearing masks, 6-foot of social distancing to me is the next place where there could be improvement. As an example, I came in to teach on Tuesday and a group of students from my course were working together in the lobby of Justin Hall around a fairly small table (with masks on). There was only 1 other student that I saw in the large lobby. I waved high and put my arms out to them to hopefully emphasize to spread out. I'm fine with them working together and want them to build community. But as they should be aware from class they can talk to each other from a distance. It is in their best interest to carry this forward to other interactions that they have as well. So an emphasis that masks are not so that they do not need to adhere to distancing. Masks are meant to supplement distancing and provide protection when it is not possible.

Usually wearing a face covering, especially if needing to be slightly less than 6 ft apart in places.

class hordes will trample through the sidewalks and never adhering to the 6 feet rule. BUT they do all have masks on

There is no way to social distance in some of the bathrooms on campus as well as the hallways because people don't follow the floor directions

Really hard to do when waiting to enter a classroom and leaving one. They are doing their best.

Groups of students walk into and out of classes without concern for social distancing.

Masks should be worn at all times while on campus property...inside and outside.

The percentage who follow the 6-ft social distancing compliance is lower outside.

Some people are following the 6 foot rule but we have no way of knowing if people in the library who are within 6 feet are roommates, partners, or are otherwise in their social bubble.

Still seeing groups of students together in the building right next to each other but they are wearing mask. As for outside see several groups together no mask no six foot. You need enforcement outside.

This is a real challenge. I think people try, but it is either 1) Difficult because of logistics/space (ie. waiting for a class) 2) leaving class 3) people might be walking w/ people they know or are in their "pod", so maybe it is okay that they are close 4) we are just social people and hav ea hard time staying away from each other.

I have 22 students who can come to my section each day and between 2-10 actually show up. It feels very much not worth it to offer in person classes right now. I suspect a large part of the attendance (which has really fallen off the last few weeks) is due to positive cases. Right now, 20% of my students are in quarantine. The letters from OSL seems slow, at best. I have one student who I never received a letter for. I got a letter for another student the day AFTER her quarantine expired. Overall, the impression is that many things are not being handled well and I don't think we are ready to be back in person. This was not as well thought out as it needed to be.

Staff members don't believe they need to adhere to 6 feet distancing when they are wearing a mask. They often ignore distance and have close contact in my work area.

This is difficult to gauge because it is impossible to know who is already a close contact. If students live together, then it should be fine for them to be close together and as long as they are wearing masks them being close poses little risk to other. Those I see in close contact are either in small groups (2-3) or the close contact is short and with masks on.

Students are not distancing. Or they don't realize how much 6 feet really is. I live on the west side of campus, and they are not distancing...at the frat houses, when they're walking around town, when they're walking on campus, etc.

Students have been sitting too close together in the study booths in the College of Business building. I think there needs to be signage that the study booths should have a maximum occupancy of 2 people.

It seems as if being outdoors negates wearing a mask and social distancing for many people. It has been hot outside, so that may be a factor.

Very difficult, students are prone to crowd in places. They continue to move furniture and gather in groups. Many Greeks on campus prior to school start did not social distance and had large groups of 50+ in close proximity. Witnessed first hand a young person use the restroom floor for their phone and water bottle, and did not wash hands before exiting.

Several students come regularly to me after class for questions without any respect of the social distance requirement.

I am confused about the 6-foot requirement. I thought that we had been told that if we are wearing masks, we can help a student with a question on an assignment, put students in groups, etc.

None

At times, students are eating a meal outside too close together (no mask).

Groups of students still walk shoulder to shoulder headed to class or leaving class.

Staff seem to do well. Students are not staying physically distant.

There's more room outside to allow 6-foot distancing. I believe most people inside don't really know the concept of 6-feet. People allow 4-6 feet.

As mentioned above I don't see a lot of people in Waters Hall and I am in the office 2-3 days a week. What I observe outside I see some social distancing and others are not.

At the beginning of the semester I would see students walking together (closer than 6 ft.) without masks. Now most pairs are wearing masks when less than 6-feet apart.

Students tend to congregate in common areas at class changes. It usually doesn't last long and they are wearing face coverings. But it's pretty indicative of what their behavior is off campus.

Some people do not wear their masks outside when they are alone (which is totally fine) but then do not replace them or make an attempt to social distance when passing others on the sidewalk.

We (the library) have had a harder and harder time policing 6+ft social distancing--we have a lot of students who have group projects or wish to unofficially tutor each other in courses; they try to sit close together when engaging in these activities and when corrected either suffer academically or simply get up and leave (most likely to find somewhere off campus where they can sit close and work).

Up and down Denison and on west memorial field I regularly see groups that are less than 6ft and unmasked

I have observed face coverings being worn by those who are less-than 6 feet apart.

For outside while on campus - faculty/staff seem to be following the 6-foot social distancing requirements, but students still don't seem to be.

Students are doing everything we ask of them, including following distance guidelines.

It can be difficult in some situations to adhere to the 6-foot social distancing. The circumstances of the space can change how well it can be adhered to.

I believe the majority of students, staff and faculty are adhering to this.

I was especially frustrated when a DAS 100 instructor brought her class of 20+ to gather inside the east entrance of Fairchild while waiting for students to tour Cats Cupboard, where only four students are allowed in at a time. She could have waited outside; it wasn't a particularly hot day. Instead the entire space was clogged with students two

feet apart and people entering the building had to walk through them.

Observed students sitting at picnic tables next to each other without masks.

Totally ignore the rules outside of buildings.

Outside, seems to be that people are clustering, or bubbling -- walking in pairs or small groups that are less than 6' apart, but trying to stay apart from other individuals or clusters. This may be ok -- I know this is how my family goes for walks, for example. It would be better, though, if folks would mask up as they pass other people.

Students are struggling to maintain social distancing in hallways, study spaces, common areas.

4a. Further comments on what has gone well regarding COVID-19 protocols and compliance

The increased comfort with online-only meetings by faculty, staff, and students is helpful. The cleaning equipment in our classroom is always well-maintained, well-stocked, and fully charged.

Aw

I am finding that the buildings are quite empty as students come and go for their assigned F2F class, and then leave the building.

Masks

Nothing. Close campus.

People who care about remaining on campus and teaching in-person are doing what we can. The cleaning crews have been great.

Overall, I think we are learning to adapt day to day. I come in contact with a small number of students and faculty, so maybe it has been easier for me to adjust.

Who is in charge of refilling the hand sanitizing stations? I go by one that is not being refilled.

I appreciate the responsiveness of K-State administration to COVID developments, in terms of frequency and clarity of messaging.

The staff is following protocols

Everyone is following the rules and we are still permitted to have class on campus.

There is a lot of signage.

I do believe things have gone well on campus in the administrative processes.

For the most part, everyone has gone above and beyond to make everything work while on campus!

Hand sanitizers, though small due to backorder of everyone needing it, seem to be plentiful and last longer than expected. Students generally comply with mask wearing, and if directed they will generally follow adjustments being made due to COVID.

None

All of the above

Students not following protocols while walking across campus seem to face no consequences. There is no visible KSUPD or Safety Officer presence in areas with heavy foot traffic such as near the Engineering Complex and adjacent parking lot.

K-State has taken great strides in trying to protect each other, yet while trying to get campus opened back up, at least for departments who need to be on campus.

Signs, clarification of policies, availability of masks and cleaning supplies

Clear and frequent communication; lots of signs (albeit some are a bit small); ample PPE.

I think the communication that has and continues to go out from administration is extremely helpful. The new dashboard is an AWESOME addition to this information.

I appreciate that the custodians have been stepping up the cleaning and coming through with disinfectant.

Thank you

Seems to be going well inside classrooms and buildings

Accommodations made in the residence halls and dining centers have been a bright spot. Procedures established that are working and good compliance.

Students have mostly been amenable to being corrected. So far, we've had only a few negative encounters when trying to correct behaviors and most of those students chose to leave the area rather than be worryingly hostile or obstinate. The majority of students/staff/faculty want to be able to continue operations face to face on campus and therefore are pretty receptive to the changes and rules.

Campus is very sparse with people, LOTs of signs

Excellent work K-State admin

Students seem to be really very careful about following guidelines in the classroom.

Students are doing everything on-campus that is asked of them.

I cannot judge other buildings, I can only say that in my building we have to do everything by the book as it is a health center.

I think for the most part, people realize this is necessary to keep us all here and safe.

Signage in the areas I visit is good. Access to hand sanitizer is very good.

Realistically, I don't think we could have expected better on campus.

Appreciate all the hand sanitizing stations.

Class. I was anxious about offering a hybrid class with weekly F2F sessions, but it has been going very well. I don't have much to say about the rest of campus because I come in, teach my class, and leave.

Communication from OSL regarding students COVID-19 Testing Status

4b. Further comments on what has not gone well regarding COVID-19 protocols and compliance

I feel like some communication has been lacking about how current information is impacting choices.

Mask wearing by students is consistent, but they're clearly starting to get tired of them. Students like to mess with them, pull them away from their face to facilitate breathing, expose their noses, drink beverages, etc. Due to the difficulty of hearing anyone with a mask due to my own hearing difficulties, I have to get close to students to hear anything they're saying in our face-to-face class--and they often do not hear me and misread my facial expressions.

Staff in areas like the union, the library, and the rec often don't know students' names so when they resist wearing masks, it is improbable that we can follow the enforcement policy. Having campus security do random walkthroughs to remind students would be good.

The dashboard needs more info and details on how data/metrics are used Needs more frequent updating and more clear presentation of details There are many better examples at other universities

Some professors are still not sanitizing after class, or using the new electro-static gun

Website has turned into a behemoth.

The loss of 5 minutes classroom time. There are so few courses meeting in some spaces, that there really isn't a need for the 5 minutes, if start and end times could be adjusted.

In the beginning, students were walking out of buildings, taking their masks off, and then immediately moving way closer than 6 ft from each other. Now, wearing masks unless you are alone is going much better. However, groups of students still walk & stand within 6 ft of each other pretty much everywhere.

Students understanding class structure with regards to covid adaptations

Everything. Close campus.

Out side of K-state like Aggievill bars street and privet house's and apt not going by the rule of wearing face masks .Seen party's of kids jest do not care thats why we are up 450% in the last 2 weeks

Some students choose not to read the signage or not adhere to it.

There is so much information on the COVID19 webpage that it is overwhelming. Sometimes it feels like there are faculty specific items on other places and they can't be found with ease. I don't know what the solution is, but organization should be easier. Maybe a site map in addition to the fancy sections. The person who teaches before me is only spraying down the chairs that his students are sitting in. I believe the chairs around our students are at a higher risk of harboring the virus than the one that they are sitting in... think about the transfer of particles from our breath, they don't just stay on us, our chairs, or our desks, they go everywhere.

In general, I think we as a community has come to accept a certain level of risk in order to get back to living as normally as possible - so I don't know that this necessarily speaks to not going well but just a perception of what we are learning to work with. Overall, I am able to protect myself and feel comfortable wearing a mask, cleaning, etc. But I am fortunate to work in a much smaller, controlled environment.

GREEK LIFE, ATHLETICS, AND AGGIEVILLE NEED TO COMPLY - THEY CURRENTLY ARE NOT, AND THE UNIVERSITY HAS SEEMED LARGELY SILENT IN IMPACTING THESE DOMAINS

Why are all signs so small, there should be large banners near building advising for face covering requirement. once you get to the front door and see a sign 8 1/2 x 11 or smaller it is kind of late. people have to return to their car. Billboard size would be better.

Possibly upper administration SHOULD be on campus to see what's going on/not going on.

Difficult situations for me when I'm walking across campus & I'm wearing a face covering & person after person walking across campus is not wearing a face covering. I do not prompt the other people. I do move away from them trying to use the 6-ft rule.

Expectation to wear face coverings outdoors not widely shared / understood

The sanitizer machines are sometimes out of sanitizer. Some people sigh, roll their eyes, or act like we are being petty when we ask them to put on their mask. It makes us mad that some are not taking this seriously especially when we must come to work to provide service to them.

we can't control how well students comply with protocols off-campus, obviously, and then they bring risk on-campus.

I think we would have more success containing the virus if quarantining was required instead of merely strongly encouraged. As we have seen with the Greek houses, "please use your best judgement" isn't as successful as one might have hoped.

Greek and students in general do not care about the mandates when they are together.

Football, fraternities/sororities, should be closed down for the time being.

I can't see anyone's face when I'm teaching and it is harder to judge if I am making connections or not. I am unable to hear my students when they speak with a mask on and I am constantly asking people to speak up. I am constantly using a louder voice when teaching. I get out of breath easily. I am exhausted after teaching. I choose to be here for the benefit of my students but I'm envious of my colleagues who opted to teach remotely from the comfort of their own homes. Our campus in Salina is a ghost town. We have worked very hard to improve the appeal of going to school here. I think "dedensifying" by having all offices closed and/or "by appointment only" and empty halls and library will ultimately destroy the community we have been working so hard to build here.

I do not believe the person who teaches ahead of me is cleaning the classroom. The stickers in the seats to mark where students should sit have fallen off. I am not using technology other than basic (screen, microphone, but if I were, I am sure it would be challenging w/ the time between classes).

Faculty are being bombarded with quarantine and isolation messages from students. Some assistance and clearer documentation should be provided. For example, when we get a letter from Student Life, it needs to clearly specify the date that student is expected back in class. Can information be provided in some kind of spreadsheet format for all faculty? When dealing with dozens of students and having different quarantine dates for all of them, it is not practical for a faculty member to have to refer back to the dozens of letters received to find the right one. If there was a master list of students that were quarantined that could be provided to faculty, it would allow faculty to focus on the job of teaching, rather than being a record keeper.

Signage is too wordy. Should be simple with ability to scan to latest policy, so it doesn't have to be changed with every policy change. Too many types of signs.

Some signs have print that is too small.

I believe things are not going well beyond campus. While we do not control that and can not enforce compliance, we do have obligations to consider the impact on the local community if the spread does not stay within the student population.

Some things were communicated in the town hall as though people/departments had already been informed and they hadn't. One example is that the availability of face shields were not shared with departments and neither was the information on how to acquire them. There are many things like this that leadership may think all are aware of but the reality is that the information is not shared down the chain.

I think changing the mask requirements from only inside to anywhere on campus was a mistake because it's like students didn't get the memo.

Drinking fountain adjustments still not distributed to all buildings.

The signs on the doors are a bit confusing. The ones that say "This is not an entrance" and then they say keep to the right - at first I thought the "keep to the right" was telling them which way to go to a proper entrance. Now I understand that "keep to the right" means stay to the right side of the hallway when walking in the hallway. They're a bit confusing.

One-way hallways/transit routes are the biggest issue. Faculty and students are not taking the extra effort to follow

these, modeling to students that is okay to follow suit. Convenience is a clear priority in these cases.

Difficulty enforcing social distancing. Greeks on campus prior to school start were most frequently observed not wearing masks in building despite explicit and clear signage. Observed not social distancing and orientation was in large groups. College students may try to follow distancing in lines/spaces, but many still huddle together with their friends/roommates causing large clusters in public spaces. Students are sometimes resistant to being asked to social distance amongst these social circles and have thus complained but not outright resisted at this point (on-campus). Faculty and staff are being asked to be responsible for enforcing rules, but with many of us furloughed through summer and having heaps of new protocols to work through and adjust to in addition to our usual workloads - we are not always capable nor generally available to become a human police force for COVID protocols on campus. "Dedensification" is saying we should be able to work from home as need be, but certain units are repeatedly being denied such requests and other departments are getting compromises and others are being repeatedly told they need to be open and thus exposed as much as possible to students, staff, faculty, or guests on campus. Difficulty or outright denial of ability to get COVID test due to not experiencing enough symptoms or not having "close enough" contact with the positive case, if we hear about it at all. Students are often the one telling us, not contact tracers. Funny how widespread testing was repeatedly denied as an effective measure during last Faculty/Staff Town Hall before classes start, but then later K-State is promoting "volunteer" testing in residence halls. Peculiar that multiple Greek Houses have had outbreaks, and K-State Football has relapsed into another outbreak despite not even being allowed to walk on campus to access certain services, yet residence halls have not had one outbreak.

The idea to have a mathematics class in a non-mathematics class lecture room may formally look good (actual on campus class), however without large black/white board and with the available sometimes failing equipment it may be worse than an online class.

Hand sanitizing stations frequently run out of hand sanitizer. In the vet med complex, we are depending on the students to clean the desks between class changes; some students are compliant with this, and others are very lax. It would be nice if we had Victory sprayers in the classroom as advertised for the rest of campus.

None

Meals are difficult. Some students do not distance on the way to the parking lot.

I do have some students who have a hard time hearing while I'm teaching with PPE. I've tried a couple of ways and also had students trade places with others in the classroom. I think it's just going to come to me needing to be mic'd up for class all the time.

Signage is falling off the walls all over the department.

We can't have water at our desk, and I can't leave the office every time I want a drink. So I don't drink until lunch, and not again until after work. No one comes behind my desk.

Communication from the administration at K-State to faculty and staff has been broken since day one. I feel like the higher-ups are not even asking the people that are on the front like (staff) if they feel comfortable being on campus or how they feel. How is ONE piece of plexiglass going to protect me in my office? It doesn't protect me.

Social distancing. It's hard to enforce not knowing if people are roommates, etc.

The increase in case counts is alarming.

Would have like to see a few hand sanitizing stations inside the buildings. I hardly see any students use the ones in the entrances, but faculty/staff do regularly. Also the signs have way too many words. They just need big fonts with short phrases: "ENTER", "EXIT", "WEAR FACE MASK", etc.

There is so much information it is a lot to sort through at times it feels like too much with not enough specificity

We get a lot of parent calls, so although the information is going out to students, the parents aren't made aware of what is going on on campus. There really isn't a way to mitigate this, other than encouraging students to pass along any important information to their parents. Also, we have had to put up multiple signs and barriers to prevent other staff members from walking through our back offices. Just a general courtesy reminder to not walk past front

reception areas in any office without permission would be helpful, I think.

I know for a fact contact tracing is horrible it needs to begin when someone is suspected of having it when they go get a test not two weeks later after they gets test results back. That is two weeks of possible spread that could stop very easily

I have no suggestions on how to get the students to follow the policies when not in the classrooms, but they seem not to understand the risk they are presenting to others who work on campus.

None

Classrooms 6 ft not measured all around the chair - only front and back; students clumping waiting to enter classroom spaces and outside buildings; students not wearing masks outside, especially near entrances to buildings.

Social Distancing.

The dissemination of information is overly complicated. The COVID-19 updates website is a great resource with tons of useful information--but it's enormous depth of content makes it difficult to use. Our campus has been told to keep ourselves informed as much as possible and check the website regularly. And while that would be great advice typically, it's a little frustrating now when it's so hard to tell, from the website, what is new info and relevant to our specific areas and needs and what isn't. The "highlights" portion is helpful, but the rest remains hard to navigate. I unfortunately have no suggestions to assist with this. It's just a lot of detailed information by necessity and therefore difficult to tread through no matter how tidily it's organized. (A search feature would help a lot--is that possible to implement?) I'm also personally a little clueless as to what the reporting process for employees should be. The student reporting process is well defined and the paper trail seems organized and retainable, but the workflow for an employee who is sick or is a contact is less clear beyond "tell your supervisor" and even that apparently gets a bit sticky because of HIPPA. The COVID website has info on this subject, but the whole process seems messy compared to the student reporting process. I understand prioritizing students and their contacts; I'm just concerned about what happens if a staff or faculty person must be away for long periods of time and how that information gets shared with the people who need to know about it. This is especially a concern for us on the Polytechnic campus, I think, because we are so small and integrated. A professor being off campus for a long period could conceivably impact a lot of other faculty/staff (from completely different units!) in ways that the professor's supervisor won't be aware of and therefore won't think to communicate. This specific example hasn't been an issue yet as far as I know, but it's part of the overall concerns I have regarding communication and information sharing during this time.

Hand sanitizing stations empty

Students are rearranging furniture to sit closer together in classroom and library.

perhaps information overload and maybe over doing it (do we need up and down stairs when there's usually only one person at a time on them? But, I understand, these were great ideas to be ready for more traffic.

Clear concise verbiage of the matrix being used to determine when changes are going to be made. Stop the rumors and show facts of everyday risks that we take everyday that we don't think about ie texting and driving or no seatbelt and compare to Covid-19 risks and tell people to grow up.

Lecturing with a mask is extremely challenging and physically exhausting

Teaching (and meetings) are made very challenging by the need to wear masks. I understand there is nothing that can probably be done about this, but it really stifles interactions.

The administration's continued efforts to undermine the great efforts students have made through this process. We continue to have messaging that is trying to blame students and have a "shame on you" message to students. Instead, we should be highlighting all of the great, positive things that students have been doing. Our current messaging just pushes students to want to be more non-compliant. Threatening to kick them out, only makes them want to have a "well, I better do everything I want now then" attitude. Which makes the whole thing a self-fulfilling prophecy.

We can only do so much on campus and I think we are doing a good job. But as a whole we are fighting the social lives off of campus. We need to keep KSTATE employees and students save. This is hard to do.

I do believe the students have a little confusion understanding the difference just what isolation is. While one can go to the doctor that doesn't mean one can go to Aggieville for food and/or drink.

Active cases continues at high level.

The entire burden is on faculty if we had any support whatsoever things would go more smoothly

There's still a few non maskers and folks who think it's all a hoax.

General compliance. I had one of my supervisor's peers who would come in the space and remove her mask, even though I asked her not to.

I think students are getting tired of the protocols (they often walk the wrong way in stairwells, take off masks when they are in buildings studying), especially since our building hardly has anyone in it during the day. One idea I had is to reward students when they are complying with the rules. Perhaps staff and faculty can put their names in for a drawing for giftcards (less effective based on survey research because the reward is considered unlikely) or can give them some reward like a smaller giftcard for a free beverage at a cafe or something at the bookstore (more effective because they know they will get the reward). Rather than making complying with the rules punishable, make it rewarded.

There is too much information and no way to know what is new. Much is redundant.

The COVID-19 dashboard needs to be updated at least 2-3 times per week and should include more data. The university community needs access to the data to help keep them informed on how things are going.

Students in library pull up mask and then take it down as soon as you walk by. Lots of people who don't have nose covered.

I'm unhappy that there is nothing easily visible on the COVID-19 site to support our Asian and Asian American students. Xenophobic attacks have increased nationally with this virus, and even if they are not happening here, we need to signal to our students that we are aware of this and support them, and let them know what to do if something happens or they are anxious about this.

Too much information that sometimes contradicts itself. Everyone needs to be on the same page and without information overload.

I teach in the Union, and they are not keeping the rooms supplied with the disinfectant needed for the sprayers. Even when we called, they send a student who does not know where the supply is. So, when a room is not completely disinfected because of this, can we teach? And, by the way, why are faculty saddled with this responsibility? This takes away from our primary role as teachers (who are supposed to be responsive and available to students--not cleaning classrooms). Why not use the model other universities--install sanitizer wipes on the wall near each room's entrance, AND HAVE THE STUDENTS do the disinfecting of their spaces as they come in. This way, the professor can do what they're supposed to do--teach.

Lack of real consequences for non-compliance.

it is challenging to create a classroom community while wearing masks. students are hesitant to participate and it is challenging to read their facial expressions.

5a. Further comments on any other specific issues you've experienced regarding COVID-19 protocols and compliance

Honestly, I think it is as good as it is going to get. This is just a difficult situation that naturally social creatures are in and having to fight what is likely several millennia of evolutionary psychology makes it difficult for us to always comply even if we KNOW its importance.

More emphasis on maintaining distancing even with masks when it is not difficult to distance and minimizing the duration of the time when they are not distanced.

More clarification on communication protocols if there is a case in a dept in a non classroom type of setting there are so few people in my building, that the designated up and down stairs is very inconvenient and not seemingly necessary.

Masks being worn incorrectly while working out

All issues are temporary and the students are patient when technology problems arise. The others are minor.

I don't understand why there are several back-up bottles of disinfectant in all classrooms. Are we really that worried that someone will steal the spray for the Victory sprayers? BTW the Victory sprayers work really well.

I am concerned about the water bottle refill stations being turned off. To my knowledge they are still turned off. Early in the semester, I understood these stations were going to be turned on. I had a student who last week told me they are having to use money to buy bottled water, and this is an expense that is a hardship for them.

We are a bit spoiled to think we can't go 50 minutes or 75 minutes without a drink of water. Definitely problems of the privileged.

Drinking water during class is an issue? I guess it would be if I thought we weren't supposed to get a drink now and then. The first day of class I showered some students with a big bottle of hand sanitizer that forcefully sprayed to my hands and out into the class. Wasn't expecting that to happen. Also, the Zoom app did not work on school provided computers the first day, but we got that to work finally.

I have a part time evening job that sometimes takes me out and about mobile in the community to larger apartment complexes and by businesses. From what I have seen very few to none of these students are practicing covid safety with mask or distancing off campus which worries me and many others for the community, our families and ourselves. Something needs to be done there by both the administration and city and county officials.

Everything seems fine to me.

Students and faculty should be allowed to take a quick drink out of a water bottle - especially in long classes (2 hours plus) - and especially since water fountains are closed.

it's a work in progress and a moving target at times. i think the COVID health and safety committees are doing their best and they're doing a good job.

Vendors and construction teams not wearing masks inside of buildings.

Access to fresh drinking water

None

I lecture for 75 minutes. Not having access to fluids when I get a dry throat or tickle has been uncomfortable.

Not drinking water is a problem while trying to teach. It's just because my throat gets so much drier with the face covering. Wearing the face shield was harder for students to hear me. We will figure it out.

The stairways in the CVM are not marked in a way that makes full sense, I think it may be confusing to some.

6-ft distancing may not be difficult to maintain, as much as it isn't being maintained. 4' looks like 6' to some people, or "good enough". Also, water not being allowed is an issue to me.

Do students need to wear a facemask at a table in an open area? I see a lot of that in the business building. It's unclear if that is or is not okay to do.

None

Students are drinking water during longer classes (TU), hard to say no given class length; social distancing not possible to maintain to some hallways and stairwells, see above comments on facemasks.

I want to remark on the last item above (issues not being able to drink water during class) because while I haven't spent a lot of time physically in classrooms this semester, I have experienced at least two instances where students had water and drank it in the classroom (removing their mask momentarily to do so). The library has also altered our food/drink policy to not allow food and other liquids (we used to have students eating entire meals in our spaces), but we ARE still allowing water bottle use. Should we not be?

The occasions of facemask non-compliance have all been outside.

I don't think anyone wants to be the mask police, especially outside.

Most of non-compliance is issue of forgetting mask

Mostly male students outside on campus found not wearing masks

Students are doing a great job! We just need to keep reinforcing that message and they will keep doing everything we ask!

Some of the "entrance only/exit only" "up only/down only" signage is impractical. For example, designated entrances on doors that are normally locked, or wings where all stairs are "down only." Or Eisenhower, where up and down stairway traffic must crisscross each other at the middle landing.

Power Plant employees and contractors are not wearing masks and are told that it is not necessary per the supervisor there.

It doesn't matter what we do on campus regarding protocols and compliance. Students are taking huge risks off campus. I have four student employees. One was positive in July and out for three weeks; now two more are out because they're both positive. In other words, 75% of my employees have had Covid. This is going to get worse in departments and classrooms across the board, and it's unsustainable. I'll be relieved when things get shut down.

As I mentioned earlier, I've seen several people drop their masks below their noses; presumably under the assumption that it is coughing and speaking that project the virus

The university cannot keep students from drinking during class, and I won't deny a student that. We were asked to start on Aug. 17 and we have had a long run of 90 degree + weather. Also, what about the professor who needs to drink due to the lecturing and the heat. This was an ill advised policy, and I don't know any prof who's going to disallow someone drinking in class.