

COVID Resources for JHU Faculty and Staff
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Dear Faculty and Staff,

As we continue to look for ways to support our dedicated workforce during the COVID pandemic, we are pleased to announce some new resources and benefits to help you stay safe and healthy, and we want to remind you of existing resources that are available.

New Resources and Benefits

COVID vaccination leave: Starting immediately, JHU faculty and staff are eligible for two days of paid leave to receive COVID vaccination or to recover from any side effects of the vaccine. This benefit is in addition to existing COVID leave or other types of leave and may be applied retroactively to January 1. We ask our managers to be as flexible as possible if and when you have the opportunity to be vaccinated, even if it is on short notice.

Free face masks: Beginning on approximately March 15, free high-quality, three-ply, reusable face masks with bendable nose wires and adjustable ear loops will be available at all [on-campus COVID testing sites](#).

Existing Resources and Benefits

Free COVID testing: JHU affiliates who do not exhibit COVID symptoms are able to receive free testing on a weekly basis at any one of [nine sites on our campuses](#). Appointments are scheduled through [MyChart](#), and testing can be done during paid work hours. Results are usually available within 24 hours.

Students, faculty, and staff who are experiencing COVID symptoms are also eligible for free testing, which should be arranged through the [Johns Hopkins COVID Call Center](#) by calling 833-546-7546.

COVID-19 Caregiving Relief Fund: Eligible JHU faculty, staff, and students earning up to \$175,000 per year may be reimbursed for certain caregiving, remote learning support, and technology equipment expenses incurred as a direct result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Details are available [here](#).

COVID-19 Emergency Relief Fund: Full-time, benefits-eligible JHU employees earning less than \$50,000 a year who have at least one year of service at the university may be eligible for assistance of up to \$1,000 to defray certain COVID-related expenses. Contractors who have worked at JHU for at least a year and make less than \$50,000 annually are also eligible. Details are available [here](#) under the Financial Resources tab.

mySupport is available to all faculty and staff and their families by providing confidential counseling

with up to five face-to-face visits at no cost. Learn more by calling 443-997-7000 or going online [here](#).

You have done so much to support Johns Hopkins during this time, and we want to do everything we can to support you. Additional resources to help you cope with the challenges of work and life during the COVID pandemic are available on the [Human Resources webpage](#). If you have any comments, questions, or suggestions, please email hrcovid19@jhu.edu.

We hope you will take advantage of these resources and embrace the public health principles embodied in the [Johns Hopkins Social Compact](#). When it comes to staying healthy during this pandemic, we're all in it together.

Be well,

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