

Carleton University
Joint Health and Safety Committee and Union Leadership
COVID-19 Update Meeting #27 – June 16, 2021
Microsoft Teams, 10:00 am

The JHSC Management co-chair Tony Lackey, chaired the meeting.

Given the special nature of the meeting, quorum was not required (although it was attained).

Information #1. Tony provided an update on the Return To Campus activities.

1. We are in Stage 1 of the provincial reopening plan. Stage 1 did not change a lot on campus however both the bookstore and the athletics department have been able to operate with restrictions. With Stage 1, the bookstore can now have 4 people in at a time. Athletics has developed a plan to provide outdoor training facilities. Athletics is also in the process of developing a plan for summer camps with restrictions based on facilities as indoor pools and ice rinks cannot open. We are allowing outdoor photography on campus now.
2. Sal Ugarte and his team are preparing for the fall by putting up new signage on campus to encourage COVID-19 safe practices (i.e., in seating areas).
3. There is an Ambassador Program being organized as an escalation strategy to support compliance on campus upon return. This program will be made up of proctors and students to remind individuals to wear masks and physical distance where necessary. This program will also have a process to escalate through Campus Safety where required.
4. There have been several vaccination clinics occurring on campus. We will continue to run the clinics based on supply and demand. There are hopes that Carleton will be receiving Pfizer, Moderna and AstraZeneca vaccines in July to provide second doses to faculty, staff and students.
5. Surveys are going out to students in residence as well as student athletes to determine who needs to be vaccinated. Hoping everyone will have first vaccine by arrival.
6. We are moving forward with RTC plans. Additional committees have been created to address specific elements of the Phase 3 return. These include the Academic Administrative committee, the Classroom working group, and the Flexible Working Arrangements committee
7. Stage 2 of provincial reopening is supposed to happen 21 days after Stage 1 reopening. Research shows we are reaching necessary milestones. We may reach Stage 2 next week.

Information #2. Nancy provided the following:

1. There is a vaccination clinic occurring next Thursday, June 24th. Staff, faculty, and students can book/register through the Health and Safety website.
2. The university COVID-19 online training has been updated to reflect all current information. Encouraging JHSC members to complete again to ensure members are familiar with what is in place, however completing the training again is not mandatory.
3. Documentation and presentations have been added as tools on the COVID-19 website. These tools are added to help facilitate conversations regarding hesitations about returning to campus. There is a manager toolkit to help identify strategies to handle these conversations.

Questions:

Q1 – Is the vaccine clinic open to spouses?

No, we are working with our faculty, staff and students and student athletes for the time being. Once vaccine supply becomes more stable, the intent is to open to family members.

Next meeting

The next update meeting will be **Wednesday June 30th, at 10:00 AM**, Microsoft Teams. The next formal JHSC meeting will be **Wednesday June 23rd, from 9-11 am**, Microsoft Teams

Adjournment