COVID-19 Response Scenarios

The following outlines a progression of scenarios State Tech could pursue in addition to the above precautions should it be determined necessary to assure the well-being of employees, students, and visitors.

Scenario 1
The risk of exposure to COVID-19 is minimal, and large group congregation without social distancing is acceptable.
- The campus operates as normal.

Scenario 2
The risk of exposure to COVID-19 is minimal, but large group congregations are not recommended.
- Classes operate normally.
- Social distancing and other guidelines may apply.

Scenario 3
The risk of exposure to COVID-19 is moderate. Active case(s) of COVID-19 might be found on campus but spread can be managed.
- Everyone on campus will be required to wear face masks while indoors. Social distancing or face masks will be required outdoors. Exceptions include: private offices, personal vehicles, while eating, within residence rooms, and in offices where a protective barrier is between the employee and non-employee.
- Social distancing and other guidelines may apply.
- Classes held on campus and may follow modified schedule. Student will sit in assigned seating for every class.
- Individual programs may be modified to reduce risk.
- Employees will work on campus. Employees should attempt to have meetings outside their offices or via Teams where social distancing is easier to accomplish.
- Employees and students should consider limiting travel and large scale events.
- The cafeteria will be open and partitions will be used to separate occupants. The Orbit Lounge will be closed. Food service will adapt to best practices in place.
- Activity Center and Golf Course will be open regular hours.
- Events that are planned by outside partners will be limited. State Tech reserves the right to cancel at anytime.

Scenario 4
Increasing number of COVID-19 cases and guidelines necessitate that a progressive approach is required to keep campus open.
- Scenario 3 with the following changes:
- The Activity Center will be closed.
- Offices will be open virtually.
• General education and non-hands-on classes may be taught online, hybrid, or at student’s home building. Students will be responsible for technology resources needed for remote learning.
• Employees and students will be asked to travel only to certain areas while on campus. Classes or lab sections may be split to maximize social distancing.
• Faculty who have at-risk family at home may self-quarantine in Linn. State Tech may provide housing. Staff in similar circumstances will be allowed to work virtually.
• Employees and students will be asked to limit non-essential travel. Students will be asked to stay in Linn (or wherever their home is during the week) during weekends.

Scenario 5
COVID-19 is being spread across campus and risk is high.
• Contact tracing will determine how much of Scenarios 3 and 4 are implemented.
• In the case of evidence of community spread, campus may be closed or moved to remote teaching as required.