



## HEALTHY TOGETHER UPDATE

Great news from the campus-wide testing session this Monday (February 15th).

- 1,233 people participated (884 students and 349 employees); 0 were positive. In addition, 459 student-athletes and athletic staff tested separately; 0 were positive.

Unfortunately, 386 students and 135 employees did not participate in this testing session.

All members of the community (residential and commuter students, staff and faculty) are expected to participate, unless you have tested positive for COVID in the last 90 days.

**You are also exempted from regular COVID testing if you have a positive antibody test (see below).**

Weekly testing is how we know if our mitigation practices (masks and social distancing) are effective and the campus is safe.

### **Failure to Participate**

**Students who do not participate** in the ongoing testing process will have their residence hall visitation suspended as of Friday, February 19th, unless they have a scheduled testing time for next week prior to 3:00 pm on Friday.

**Employees who do not participate** will be contacted by their supervisors and their vice president notified.

**If you have not signed up to test next week:**

**PCR COVID Test and Antibody:** <https://signup.com/go/CUxCdwL>

**PCR COVID Test only:** <https://signup.com/go/FPNqbsx>

### **IMPORTANT REVISED TESTING INFORMATION FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS**

1. **Next week (Feb 22-24), we ask everyone** (who has not tested positively in the last 90 days) **to participate in a COVID-19 PCR test** (the results will take 24-48 hrs).
2. **Next week, you also have a special opportunity to participate in Antibody testing.** This test involves taking a blood sample to answer the question of whether you were infected with COVID-19 previously (perhaps without knowing it). **If your antibody test confirms that you have tested positive, you will be exempt from our spring testing requirements (not including NCAA testing requirements).**

**We encourage everyone – including those who have tested positive within the last 90 days – to participate in Antibody testing.**

**Why?** The CDC will provide documentation regarding the results of your Antibody test. This information may prove useful to you in the months ahead as you seek summer employment or plan travel.

3. Next week, we will also introduce a **home-based kit** for COVID-19 testing. In conjunction with the CDC, we are excited to offer the convenience of testing at home. Berry is serving as the trial site for this latest advance. You will receive a packet and instructions for use next week.

<b>What</b>	<b>When</b>	<b>Where</b>	<b>Who</b>	<b>Exceptions</b>
COVID PCR test	Mon-Wed, Feb 22-24	Cage arena	Students, Faculty and Staff by appointment (including student-athletes)	Individuals COVID positive in last 90 days
Antibody Test	Mon-Wed, Feb 22-24	Cage Arena	All Students, Faculty and Staff, including those COVID positive in last 90 days	
"At home" rapid test kits	Day of PCR; Thursday	Place of your choice	All Students, Faculty and Staff	Student athletes and staff; Individuals COVID positive in last 90 days

---

## COVID BY THE NUMBERS

### **BERRY:**

Moderate / **Orange** level of risk.

For week of Feb 11-17: 0 students and 0 employees

Update for week of Feb 4-10: 8 positive cases on campus (7 students, 1 employee)

Number of active cases at Berry: 4

Number quarantined: 10

### **ROME/FLOYD COUNTY:**

High / **Orange** level of risk

8.2% positive tests in last 14 days (compared to 9.7% in state of GA)

364/100,000 new COVID cases in the last 14 days (compared to 365/100,000 in GA)

72 COVID cases in Floyd and Redmond hospitals

---

# WEEKEND FUN!

## VIKING WEEKEND

**FEB 19-21**

**FRIDAY**  
KCAB's Karaoke Night  
8 p.m., Krannert Ballroom

**SATURDAY**  
BCVS Random Acts of Kindness Service Day  
10 a.m., Krannert Ballroom  
Register on Berry Connect

S.O.L.E. Scavenger Hunt  
11 a.m., meet outside of Jewel Box

BCVS Get "Tangled": On-Site Service Project and Movie Night  
8 p.m., Krannert Ballroom

**SUNDAY**  
Chaplain's Office Evensong  
7 p.m., College Chapel



**SPECIAL EVENT**  
Intramurals and Berry eSports present Super Smash Bros Ultimate Tournament  
Saturday @ 1 p.m., Library Sandbox  
Register on Berry Connect



Office of Student Activities

## BERRY ATHLETICS

FEBRUARY 19-21

**FRIDAY**  
Women's Basketball 6 p.m.\*

**SATURDAY**  
Baseball 12 p.m. and 3 p.m.  
Women's Basketball 1 p.m.\*  
Men's Basketball 4 p.m.  
Women's Lacrosse 7:30 p.m.

**SUNDAY**  
Men's Basketball 1 p.m.\*  
Baseball 1 p.m.



\* Tickets will be distributed at the Campus Info Desk on Thursday and Friday for the basketball and football games. One ticket per person, per game, while supplies last. Students may pick up a ticket beginning Thursday at 9 a.m., and faculty and staff may pick up single tickets beginning Friday at 9 a.m.

If you have any COVID-related questions, send an email to [covid-19questions@berry.edu](mailto:covid-19questions@berry.edu). Our staff will get back to you in a timely manner.