



Policy Name	Face Coverings	Policy Number	SCA911.1
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I. Policy

II. Purpose

COVID-19 is spread thorough droplets when an individual who is infected speaks, coughs, or sneezes; therefore, one of the most important tools we have at our disposal in this fight are face coverings. Based upon guidance from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and state and local mandates, we will make face coverings mandatory at SCHS, effective immediately.

III. Scope

IV. Definitions

V. Policy Details

Faculty, staff, students and visitors must wear a face covering that covers their nose and mouth while indoors. This includes all classrooms, laboratories, libraries and meeting spaces. These coverings may be cloth/reusable or disposable. Employees may remove their face coverings when in their individual offices. Face coverings may also be required outdoors in situations where appropriate social distancing cannot be maintained. Students, faculty and staff are required to have a face covering with them whenever they are on campus. We are also requiring that visitors, vendors and guests to honor our effort to create and maintain a safe community, and as such, these policies apply to all visitors, vendors, and independent contractors.

Individuals may use their own face coverings, provided they meet CDC guidelines, and for employees are appropriate for the workplace and clinical setting. Students must meet and abide by the guidelines in place at clinical facilities they are rotating into.

VI. Attachments

VII. Related Policies

VIII. Disclaimers

- a. Nothing in this policy creates a contractual relationship between Southside College of Health Sciences (SCHS) and any party. SCHS, in its sole discretions, reserves the right to amend, terminate or discontinue this policy at any time, with or without advance notice.