

Universal COVID-19 Testing Results Update

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Students, faculty and staff were required to be tested at the beginning of the Fall 2020 semester. Students who are taking their courses entirely online and will not come to campus as well as employees who will telework the entire semester are exempt. Testing data is among the [several key COVID-19 indicators the University is monitoring](#) to determine the raising or lowering of our institutional recovery response levels.

TESTING DASHBOARD

Validated results reported in the table below include universal testing, Brady Health Center testing of individuals showing symptoms, and verified results from other sources that are uploaded to the University's portal. (Surveillance testing results will be included in future updates.) *Data will be updated regularly.*

Results from Aug. 3-22, 2020 – TOTALS FOR UNIVERSAL TESTING

NEGATIVE TESTS	POSITIVE TESTS	TOTAL VALIDATED TEST RESULTS
3,801	23	3,824
99.40%	0.60%	100.00%

The data above includes initial results posted on Aug. 20: from Aug. 11-15, 2,673 students and employee were tested or reported the following validated results — 2,661 individuals, or 99.55%, tested negative and 12 individuals, or 0.45%, tested positive.

Important Notes:

INDIVIDUALS WITH POSITIVE RESULTS: All individuals with positive tests are immediately called by a healthcare professional and [contract tracing by the Allegany Health Department](#) begins. They are required to quarantine away from campus. Those who reported positive results before the semester began were told not to come to campus until cleared to do so by a healthcare professional.

INDIVIDUALS NOT TESTED: Nearly 1,200 students in online-only programs as well as an additional number of employees who will continue to work remotely and will not visit campus and students who moved to online-only classes for just this semester and will not visit campus will not be tested.

IDENTIFICATION: To protect individuals' private health information, FSU will not identify anyone diagnosed with COVID-19.

FURTHER TESTING: Throughout the semester, the University will conduct surveillance testing of non-symptomatic individuals. Officials will closely monitor these results to determine possible further action.

MONITORING: Additionally, all FSU students, faculty and staff participate in daily self-symptom monitoring by visiting <https://www.frostburg.edu/checkin>. Visitors to campus are required to attest that they are free of COVID-19 symptoms.

Additional Resources

- [Allegany County Health Department](#)
- [State of Maryland Coronavirus Dashboard](#)
- [CDC COVID-19 website](#)