



Student Handbook

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ADDENDUM

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STUDENT POLICIES

STUDENT TRAVEL POLICY - COVID-19 PANDEMIC

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1. Reason for Policy

To provide a safe in-person learning environment for the Westmoreland College Community during the COVID-19 pandemic.

2. Scope

Credit and Non-Credit Students currently enrolled at Westmoreland.

3. Policy Statement

Westmoreland County Community College will adhere to the PA Department of Health guidelines, and as such will enforce the State's recommended travel policy.

Students must notify the Vice President of Enrollment before returning to classes, labs, clinical sites and all other course-related activities from travel outside of Pennsylvania. If in a healthcare-related field, they must also inform their program director.

"Returning Students," may be required to refrain from being on any college site or clinical location for 14 calendar days from the date of return, as deemed by the College based upon CDC and PA DOH guidelines.

Returning Students should monitor their symptoms for 14 days. If they become ill and need medical care, they should call their doctor's office and inform them of their recent travel or potential exposure. If the Returning Student tests negative for COVID-19 and is symptom free, they may be allowed to return to a college site earlier. The College will notify any Returning Student if a medical certification is required to return to on-ground college-related activities.

The College follows the PA Department of Health's travel recommendations, which are subject to change without prior notice. Further, the College adheres to any guidance from the PA Department of Health, and will update the policy accordingly without prior notice.

If you have visited one of these hot spot areas, the recommended guidance is to self isolate for 14 days before resuming activities.

- <https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/notices>
- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/travel-during-covid19.html>
- <https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Travelers.aspx>

4. Definitions

Terms specific to this policy.

Returning Student	Students returning to the College after traveling outside of the state of Pennsylvania during the COVID-19 pandemic.
High Exposure Locations	Areas that health officials declare to be high in COVID-19 cases and recommend to self-isolate for 14 days after visiting.
Self-isolation	Self-isolation within the college setting refers to any college sponsored or related activities that take place on campus, at a Center, or off-campus.