INTRODUCTIONS

Office of the Chief Risk Officer

- Barbara Battcock - Director, Environmental Health and Safety
- Kelly Taylor - Industrial Hygienist,
Classes CAPPED at 100
Approx. 4,500 people on St. John’s campus per day out of 17,000. Planned for an in-person Winter semester.

Omicron Arrives in Canada
Arrives in Newfoundland Dec. 15, 2021. MUN transitions to work remotely on Dec. 17

Changes to Winter Semester
Announcement on Jan. 4
ACTIVE COVID CASES IN NL
SEPT 2021 – FEB 2022
WINTER SEMESTER 2022
KEY DATES

- Jan 10: Online classes begin
- Jan 17: In person labs begin
- Jan 31: Classes resume on campus, up to a max. 100 per class
- Feb 28: Employees return to campus
Priorities and Considerations

- Health and safety of the Memorial community
- Academic mission and academic integrity
- Mental health of students
- Immunocompromised individuals
- Students first
- Minimizing disruption

Team Memorial
VACCINE MANDATE TIMELINE

- Sept 2: Vaccine declaration form goes live
- Sept 7: 1st dose of vaccine required
- Oct 15: 2nd dose of vaccine required
- Nov 1: Winter 2022 registration hold for non-respondents
- Nov 4: Announcement of changes to vaccine requirement for Jan 1
- Jan 1: Fully vaccinated or approved accommodation required
Fully Vaccinated Students and Employees

24,330

As of Feb 25, 2022
In-Person VS Online VS Remote Classes

- In Person: 63.5%
- Online: 21.4%
- Remote: 15.1%
Deregistration and Accommodations

- **2** Students and Employees with approved accommodations.

- **164** Students de-registered from on-campus courses. Of those, 104 were re-registered. 60 remain not able to attend on-campus courses.

- **Team Memorial**
  
  OCRO, Registrars Office, Academic Units, Student Life, Student Wellness, Blundon Centre, General Counsel, School of Graduate Studies and all campuses worked together to provide a student centered and proactive approach.
HEALTH AND SAFETY CONTROLS

Enhanced Hygiene and Cleaning

150+ Health and Safety Plans
65+ Building Assessments
8500+ Masks distributed
5 Close contact tracing and exposure notifications
2400+ Doses of COVID-19 Vaccine
Density calculator available to the campus community to determine occupancy in spaces based on the assigned risk levels.
VENTILATION ASSESSMENT

Risk Based Approach

- Over 600 spaces assessed
- 32 Classrooms upgraded
- Replaced MERV-8 filters with MERV-13 where possible
- 1 Classroom removed from service
WASTEWATER TESTING

Date | Result (cp/ml)
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Jan 13, 2022 | 6356
Jan 20, 2022 | 1597
Jan 27, 2022 | 103
Feb 3, 2022 | 132
Feb 10, 2022 | 219
Feb 17, 2022 | 566

Positive Detection >16 cp/ml
Low confidence detection 3>cp/ml<16
COVID-19 TESTING

97% Negative COVID-19 Test Results

564 PCR Tests

2779 Rapid Tests
Supporting Students in Isolation

Memorial University provided extensive support to students requiring self-isolation as a result of COVID-19 infection or isolation requirements upon entering the country or province.

Supports included access to on-campus accommodations, reduced rate stays at local hotels, meal delivery, peer-support programs, and emergency bursarys.

2930 Students Supported
HOLIDAY RESPONSE PLAN

Outbreaks
Omicron bought a rise in outbreaks on campus in high risk settings that required response over the holidays.

Contact Tracing
Changes in provincial response required Memorial to undertake new responsibilities for contact tracing.

Vaccinations
The best defence against Omicron is boosters – the University worked with partners both internally and externally to ensure the campus community had access to vaccines prior to the Winter semester.
IMPACT SCALES

Transition to a plan for individual activity risk assessments
Next Steps

- Endemic State
- Vaccine Mandate Spring 2022

- Masks Post March 14
- Removing Restrictions

- Mental Health
- Future work from home

- Risk assessments and continuous monitoring
- Continuing with positive lessons learned from the pandemic
QUESTIONS