

The use of face coverings is a university-wide requirement. Facilities will post face-covering signage in all classrooms. Faculty may include face-covering expectations in their syllabi and announce it in class. This is the suggested [syllabi language](#). Students failing to wear face coverings will be asked to leave the classroom. Use the suggestions below to help you address situations that may arise regarding the use of face coverings in the classroom setting. For additional information, review the [Stage 4 Employee Operations Guidelines](#).

***When a student shows up without a face covering.***

As a first step, kindly remind the student that face coverings are required in the classroom setting and that this requirement is a protection for all. If someone has forgotten to use their face covering, remind them by saying “Please wear a face covering while in class,” and help them find a reusable or disposable one if needed. If the student continues to resist, the faculty member can ask the student to leave the classroom and/or suggest that the student participates only in an online component of the course (if applicable). Faculty will be provided with disposable face coverings to distribute to students on an as-needed basis. If you need additional disposable face coverings to provide to students, please coordinate with your department to request additional supplies through the [Bengal Depot Order Form](#).

***When a student has self-identified as medically unable to wear a face covering.***

We want to make sure we make every effort to support this student and their needs, ensuring they are treated in a respectful manner by faculty and other students. Faculty should take the discussion off-line and provide students with alternative options, which may include offering distance-based instruction if options are available and meet their needs. If students wish to remain in the face-to-face classroom environment, faculty should advise the student to visit [Disability Services](#) to obtain an alternative means of protection. Options for alternative protection are being evaluated.

***When a student refuses to wear a face covering.***

As a university, we want to educate and foster a culture where everyone wears face coverings for the health and safety of our campus community. For an isolated incident, assume positive intent and remind them of the expectation, educate, and provide them a disposable option if necessary. If a student continues to resist on a repeat basis, problem-solve with the student, offline, to offer alternative options (such as participating in the course through a distance-based delivery) or other arrangements as available. Consult with your department chair or dean if necessary. If, after this dialogue, the student continues to wilfully disregard the need for face coverings, risking the health and safety of the campus community, please refer the student to Student Affairs and the procedures outlined in [ISUPP 5000 Student Conduct Code, Article III, Section C](#). Faculty who are unable to resolve a student conduct classroom issue may send an email to the Dean of Students at [deanofstudents@isu.edu](mailto:deanofstudents@isu.edu).