

WESTMINSTER COLLEGE

Extended Athletic Travel COVID Protocol

- **Student Athlete and Parent/Guardian Responsibilities**
 - To be eligible for extended travel with the team (e.g., any trips involving a multiple night stay), athletes and their parents/guardians must complete and return a form acknowledging their understanding of and plans to comply with the policies and protocols noted in this document.
 - Should a student-athlete test positive for COVID while on any extend travel trip, including training trips which may not include competition:
 - Parent/Guardian is required to travel to site of the team's location within 48 hours to coordinate the student-athlete's safe travel back home.
 - Expenses incurred for a student-athlete's isolation and altered travel plans will be the responsibility of the student-athlete and/or parent/guardian. Any travel or lodging expenses incurred by the parent/guardian also are the responsibility of the student-athlete and/or parent/guardian.
- **COVID-19 Testing Prior to Departure**
 - All students, vaccinated or unvaccinated, will be tested within 24 hours of departure. Any student testing positive will not be permitted to travel.
- **Symptom Check List**
 - Student athletes must complete a daily symptom checklist and submit it through the athlete portal for review by the athletic trainer who is traveling with the team.
 - If no trainer is traveling with the team, student-athletes will be required to show their coach their completed daily symptom check list via the athlete portal.
- **COVID-19 Surveillance Testing**
 - Unvaccinated student-athletes will be tested three times each week on non-consecutive days via an antigen test. The tests will be administered by a College employee.
- **Symptomatic Student-Athletes**
 - Should a student-athlete become ill and an athletic trainer is traveling with the team, the athletic trainer will complete a symptom check with the student-athlete to determine the proper care (e.g., medicine, COVID testing).
 - Should a student-athlete become ill and no athletic trainer is traveling with the team, the coach is required to contact an athletic trainer to complete a telehealth call with the student-athlete to determine the proper care (e.g., medicine, COVID testing).

- **COVID-19 Positive Student-Athlete**

- Should a student-athlete test positive for COVID-19 while on an extended travel trip:
 - Refer to “Parental/Guardian/Student Responsibility” section above.
 - Student-athlete will be moved to an isolation room pending plans to return the student-athlete safely home.
 - **Close contacts will be identified:**
 - **Contact tracing**
 - An athletic trainer will complete contact tracing. If an athletic trainer is not traveling with the team, the on-site coach will be responsible for contact tracing.
 - Identified close contacts will be reported to the Wellness Center.
 - **Unvaccinated close contacts**
 - Required to quarantine for 10 days after last day of exposure at their own expense.
 - Required to monitor their symptoms.
 - Test 7 days after exposure.
 - **Vaccinated close contacts**
 - Required to monitor their symptoms.
 - Required to mask in all social settings and comply with physical distance guidelines.
 - Test 5-7 days after exposure.