

Dear Students,

Welcome to the February edition of “Q&A with the VP.” This email series will appear in your inbox monthly during the academic year and is designed to help increase communication between students and Administration. To submit your questions for the March 2022 newsletter, please email [hfrench@fontbonne.edu](mailto:hfrench@fontbonne.edu). As questions submitted may not always be within my purview of responsibility, if I don’t know the answer, I will reach out to my colleagues or do some research to find out. Here goes!

**Q: I got an email about a Consent and Respect course. What is this and do I have to complete it?**

A: All new first-year, transfer and graduate students who enrolled for the first time during the current academic year (2021-2022) are required to complete this on-line learning module. If you have not already completed the module, please scan your email for a message from [ConsentandRespect@fontbonne.edu](mailto:ConsentandRespect@fontbonne.edu). The Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act (VAWA) requires institutions of higher education to implement specific policies, procedures, and training related to sexual violence and intimate partner violence. Education programs for students are mandatory. Students who fail to complete the mandatory education program will not be allowed to register for the next academic term. The education program, “Consent & Respect,” takes approximately 40 minutes to complete. You may log into the program course as many times as needed to finish the course. You do not have to complete it in one sitting.

**Q: If I tested positive for COVID do I still have to complete weekly testing?**

A: If you are required to complete weekly COVID testing and you have recently tested positive for COVID, you will be exempt from the testing requirement for 90 days from the date of your positive test. If you have not yet done so, please [complete the self-reporting form here](#). You will be asked to show proof of your positive test.

**Q: Where can I take a COVID test on campus?**

A: Our new campus nurse began in January. The nurse’s office is located in Ryan Hall 103. Please see a welcome message from our new nurse below, including information about COVID testing hours:

*Hi Students, I am reaching out to you all to let you know I will be your new campus nurse this semester. I am excited to meet you all and hopefully get to know each of you. My office hours will be Monday-Friday from 9:00AM-1:00PM. I will update the weekly drop-in COVID testing hours [here](#) under the COVID-19 testing tab so that you can plan accordingly. Have a great spring semester!*

*Best,*

Madeleine Ford, RN BSN  
Campus Nurse

Additionally, Fontbonne is partnering with a vendor called Curative to bring free PCR testing to the campus and Clayton community. The kickoff date for opening this walk-up testing kiosk has been pushed back a bit but we still anticipate opening later this month. Look for more information coming soon.

**Bonus Announcement:**

- **Did you get the text alert about the snow closure for today? If not, sign up for emergency alerts now at <http://www.fontbonne.edu/text> and click the green “Register” button.**
- **Last Friday, January 29<sup>th</sup> we held a Student Wellness Summit.** Over 35 students, staff and faculty came together for an inspiring afternoon of conversation where we brainstormed how best to support students holistically on campus. Look for more information coming soon that includes some shorter- and longer-term strategies to support student wellness. Fontbonne cares about your wellbeing!
- **A reminder from Therese Jacques, Director of Counseling and Wellness:**

*Hey Griffins, thank you to those students that have already completed the Missouri Assessment of College Health Behaviors (MACHB)! You can still participate through February 4. As a reminder, the survey is confidential and takes approximately 25 minutes to complete. Those who complete also have the possibility of winning a \$50 gift certificate to the bookstore. I care about you and the health of our campus. I hope you will support me in this effort.*

*Sincerely yours,  
Therese M. Jacques, MA, LPC  
Director, Counseling and Wellness*

Hope you are all staying safe, warm and well. And as always, please let me know if you have any questions, or if there is anything that we in Student Affairs can do to be of support.

Best,

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