



## The MRU Coalition Advocates for More Measures to Ensure a Safe and Healthy Return to Campus

The MRU Coalition, which includes representatives of the SAMRU, MRFA and MRSA, concurs that a return to campus including in-person teaching and support is important. And, while notwithstanding holding some different perspectives on what measures are required to ensure a safe and healthy campus for all, given the continuing increase in COVID-19 cases related to the Delta variant, we do agree that the return to campus must be done in a thoughtful, safe and healthy manner

The Coalition concurs on the following points,

1. Given the absence of provincial direction, we believe the Senior Administration must take further steps to safeguard the MRU community, ensuring that the return to our MRU campus is safe and healthy.
2. Most importantly, steps must be taken to ensure MRU does not become a source of spread among the many communities that the University serves.

To that end, the Coalition calls on Mount Royal University to undertake the following actions

- **Improve communication about key aspects of the return to campus plan**
  - Provide specific guidance and protocols for members of the public when they visit our campus
  - Consider the advisability of hosting large scale external events
  - Give clear direction regarding: the reporting of positive testing results; the process for contact tracing; and additional campus cleaning processes
- **Provide more information about the frequency of rapid-testing and the audit process that will be used to verify attestations and test results**
- **Provide quick, convenient access to rapid-testing for students, staff and faculty on campus**
- **Make available real-time aggregate information about vaccination rates and negative tests results**
- **Reduce the footprint of employees by supporting work from home requests and opportunities for staff in non-front facing roles. This is aligned with the most recent provincial recommended measures, effective September 4, 2021.**

We believe that students, staff, faculty and the University share the goal of ensuring a safe and healthy campus. The Coalition believes that addressing these points will help our University achieve this goal.

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