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Colleagues,

In his Massmail message, the Chancellor established revised guidance for campus operations in response to Governor Pritzker's announcement that the State of Illinois moved into Phase 5 of the Restore Illinois Plan on June 11. Please review this message in detail at <https://massmail.illinois.edu/massmail/1188180564.html>.

In particular, we noted these sentences:

- University spaces that serve the university community or the public may open or continue to be open, as long as they have [updated signage](#) to indicate that people who are not fully vaccinated are required to wear a face covering in university spaces.
- At this time, compliance will be enforced on the honor system, and we expect you to be honest as we seek to protect each other's well-being.

In addition, Brian Brauer, coordinator of the campus Wellness Support Program has informed us that the program will be changing. During Phase Five, the campus will **ONLY** be using WSAs at classes and students will be spot-checked. The campus vision is that, with the exception of McKinley Health Center and in classes, folks will follow an honor system where persons who are unvaccinated will continue to mask and distance.

Given this guidance, we have made the following decisions, effective June 28th:

- We will eliminate Library use of the WSA program and will unlock doors to Main Library and other locations during posted building service hours (initially 10 am to 5 pm for Main Library).
- In library units that are open for pickup or other services, advance study space reservations will no longer be required.
- The Main Library Information Desk will be open for services from 9 am to 5 pm, Monday to Friday.
- The Main Library pickup location will shift from the Marshall Gallery Locker system to the Main Circulation desk, which will be open 10 am to 5 pm, Monday to Friday.
- Other library unit services and opening hours for the summer will be posted on the unit websites.
- We will post the campus-recommended signage in all Library spaces. This signage requires non-vaccinated individuals to wear facial coverings and social distance.

Please note that courtesy card borrowing will not begin until Tuesday, July 6th to allow CAS staff the necessary time to make all the associated changes in Alma and be staffed appropriately to work with creating/renewing accounts.

While these decisions mark a shift from previous discussions, they will provide us an opportunity to work thoughtfully through the specific service plans developed by our unit heads. These are optimistic times and a chance for us to reconfirm our support for each other and for those who rely on our services. Please get in touch if you have questions or suggestions as we move into the summer and fall.

Thanks,

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