OPP Covid Overview – Instructional Spaces
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Scope of Instructional Space Reconfiguration

University Park
- 386 General Purpose Classrooms
- 118 Departmental Classrooms
- 312 Instructional Labs

Commonwealth Campuses
- 498 General Purpose Classrooms
- 104 Departmental Classrooms
- 306 Instructional Labs

1723 Total Instructional Spaces for Fall of 2020
Classroom Access and Layout Resources

- Buildings unlocked this week
- “Faculty Access Group” created to provide card swipe access for all faculty to buildings with GPCs
- Most Classrooms unlocked this week
  - Call the classroom hotline (phone number on door) if door locked

- Desk/Chair reconfiguration and placement of distancing dots and barricade tape will continue into next week
LionSpace: Layouts and Photos

- Room Layout Plans available on LionSpace

lionspacefis.psu.edu/invision/
Classroom Layout Diagrams

- Instructional zone shown on plan, but not marked in room – seating arranged to accommodate offset distance
- Exterior room signage identifies "Maximum Occupancy"
- Indicates the student seating available within a room and does not include the instructor or possible TA that might also be in the room within instructional zone
Room Configuration and In-Room Layout Diagram
Distancing Dots and Barricade Tape
Hand Sanitizer Stations

- Locations of hand sanitizer stations
  - Main building entrances
  - Ground level elevator entrances
  - Ground level stairwell entrances
  - Outside of classrooms
  - Outside of restrooms

- Installed in ADA accessible locations/heights
Cleaning of Classrooms

- Daily Cleaning and disinfecting of classrooms following CDC & PA DOH guidelines
- Implemented an infection control plan
  - Comprehensive training increased for cleaning staff (proper cleaning/disinfection procedures)
  - Increased cleaning/Disinfecting of frequently touched surfaces (custodial check list)
  - Use of an EPA approved disinfectant & microfiber cleaning
  - Electrostatic sprayers – additional units purchased, increased PPE & training for dedicated crew
COVID Response

- Upon notice of a suspected COVID case, notify COVID Operations Center (COC)
- Faculty, staff, and students should work through unit-level pandemic safety officers to report concerns and ask questions
- COC will assess conditions in coordination with EHS in alignment with contact tracing protocols and implement follow up actions in communication with Facility Coordinator
- Alternate Cleaning Procedure Guide for COVID-19 Infectious Areas developed to provide guidance for cleaning classroom and associated areas following notice that the space has been recently occupied by person(s) confirmed as COVID-19 positive
Ventilation Upgrades and Supplemental Filtration

- Every classroom has been checked for ventilation – improvement efforts underway in areas of concern
- Modifying building controls to provide additional outside air and air circulation in accordance with CDC and ASHRAE guidelines
- Conversion to higher efficiency filters MERV-8 to MERV-13 (on-going)
- Adding filtration units to rooms with limited air exchange
- Actively flushing water systems to maintain chlorine residual
Remote Learning Spaces

- Smaller classroom not able to accommodate classes due to social distancing have been identified as Remote Learning Rooms for drop-in use
- Open for use during normal building hours
- Signage indicating they are intended for access to remote classes
- Configured to adhere to social distancing guidelines
- Layer added to maps.psu.edu showing locations and capacity (Click on the Remote Learning icon “headphones” for details)

General Purpose Classrooms will also remain available for student use when not scheduled for classes
Remote Learning Spaces

Remote Learning Rooms - Sackett
- Room 109
  Social Distancing Capacity: 10 people
- Room 118
  Social Distancing Capacity: 10 people
- Room 318
  Social Distancing Capacity: 9 people
- Room 320
  Social Distancing Capacity: 6 people
- Room 324
  Social Distancing Capacity: 6 people
- Room 325
  Social Distancing Capacity: 7 people
QUESTIONS?