

Dear Meredith students,

Greetings from campus! To help keep our community healthy and help reduce the spread of COVID-19, Meredith College is requiring the use of face coverings for all students, employees and visitors when in common or open areas when physical distancing of at least six feet or more cannot be maintained (face coverings are not required in private resident rooms or individual employee offices). Studies have shown that wearing a face covering greatly reduces the probability of transmitting the virus that causes COVID-

19 (<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2020/06/200612172200.htm>).

For face coverings to be most effective, they must be used properly. The following links are currently available on the campus COVID-19 resource page.

- World Health Organization - "[When and how to properly use face coverings](#)"
- Center For Disease Control - "[How to Wear Cloth Face Coverings](#)"

Please review this information, thinking both about your own use and how you can help other members of our campus community meet this Community Standard as part of a healthy living and learning environment. Please also help ensure that visitors, parents or guests with whom you interact on campus know that they will be required to wear face coverings while on our campus.

If you feel there are any situations that might make the wearing of face coverings more difficult because of health or medical reasons, please reach out to Dr. Mary Johnson, Director of Health Services, healthcenter@meredith.edu, to discuss. If you have other concerns about wearing face coverings, please contact the Office of the Dean of Students, deanofstudents@meredith.edu

Thank you for contributing in healthy ways to our campus community.

Sincerely,

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