

## Welcome to spring semester 2022 at UWL

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Welcome to spring semester, UWL students, faculty and staff!

Monday is the first day of spring semester 2022! We wish you the very best as you get to know your new schedule and begin to engage with new classmates and instructors.

As we all know, we are currently in the height of a wave of Omicron. We're acutely aware public health, contact tracing, daycares, school districts and healthcare systems are being stretched, and COVID test results are not always returning as quickly as we'd prefer. But we continue to have confidence in the COVID mitigation measures and protocols we have put in place. We know we have a highly vaccinated population and have easy access to free, convenient testing. This community has been wonderful about complying with our indoor mask requirement which has been [extended through March 11](#). And the university continues to provide CDC recommended surgical-grade masks at building entrances.

Our priority is to provide in-person classroom experience as safely as possible. Here are a few things you can do to help us make that possible:

- **Get vaccinated if you haven't yet, and get boosted if you're eligible!**  
**We are hosting another vaccination clinic next week**, Monday, January 24 through Friday, January 28, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. (pre-registration required <https://vaccinate.wi.gov/en-US>)
- **We highly encourage everyone to get tested within 72 hours of the start of your first in-person class.**  
The testing center in Cartwright currently has extended hours Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. - <https://uwlax.vivi.healthcare/> "Thank you!" to our resident (on-campus) students for doing a great job of submitting proof of negative test before move-in.
- **Stay home (except for getting tested) if you are experiencing any symptoms.** Work directly with your instructor or supervisor to determine a plan.

The tools that help limit the spread of the virus have become very familiar at this stage. We are grateful to each of you for continuing to be diligent about keeping our campus community safe and healthy and we are looking forward to a wonderful semester together.

Thanks so much,



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