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DND: The Donut Trail  
Marissa Couch  
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A sweet thing about Dayton is the number of donut shops the area has to choose from. One doesn't have to travel far to catch a sugar rush.

### **Duck Donuts**

Duck Donuts is located at 1200 Brown St. Dayton, OH 45409 on the University of Dayton's campus. The popular franchise originated in North Carolina and has made its way all across the country since the original opening in 2007. While conveniently located, there are plans for a location opening even closer, in Beavercreek.

### **Stan the Donut Man**

Stan the Donut Man opened in 1975 in Dayton and remains a staple of the area. The shop is located at 1441 Wilmington Ave, Dayton, OH 45420. All donuts are made in-house at the Dayton location. There is an additional storefront in Xenia at 607 N. Detroit St. Xenia, OH 45385.

### **Donut Palace**

Those looking for a sugary fix can find Donut Palace in both Huber Heights and Trotwood. Additionally, the shop offers DoorDash services. The Huber Heights palace is at 5115 Old Troy Pike, Huber Heights, OH 45424 and Trotwood is 5264 Salem Ave, Dayton, OH 45426.

### **Bill's Donuts**

Bill's has been in business in multiple different locations since the 1960s. Now located at 268 N. Main St., Centerville, OH 45459, Centerville has been home since 1979. Bill's Donuts is open 24 hours, offering variety to shop goers at any time of day.

### **Bear Creek Donuts**

Daily made-fresh donuts are available at Bear Creek Donuts. The shop is at 80 S. Main St., Miamisburg, OH 45342. Bear Creek offers donut classics as well as creative alternatives, such as pretzel or maple bacon blueberry donuts.

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While there are many different opportunities to get a good donut in the area, those looking to satisfy a sweet tooth can't go wrong with any of the local shops that offer homemade options.

School of Medicine Reinstates Mask Mandates; Full Impact of House Bill 244 Still Unknown  
Jamie Naylor  
July 27, 2021

Wright State University's (WSU) Boonshoft School of Medicine (BSOM) reinstates masking mandates for its new class as COVID-19 cases rise and as vaccine legislation progresses.

### **Changing policies**

The bill, passed July 14 and taking effect October 13, 2021, restricts universities and state institutions from requiring a vaccine that has not gained full Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approval. This includes the COVID-19 vaccines.

It does not apply to "a hospital or other health care facility that is owned or operated by, or affiliated with, a state institution of higher education," according to the law's text. For WSU, this includes the Boonshoft School of Medicine (BSOM) and Wright State Physicians.

While the university has yet to announce any change in its covid policy due to this new law, the Boonshoft School of Medicine revealed its plans for the new semester, which started at the beginning of July.

According to Valerie Weber, dean of BSOM, the school currently does not require medical students to receive a COVID-19 vaccine, yet it is highly encouraged. The vaccination rate remains high in the school according to Weber.

Unlike the main university, BSOM reinstated its mask mandate. It was expressed that this was due to rising COVID-19 case numbers in Ohio and the fact that class has resumed with classrooms at full capacity.

Weber also expressed the desire to require the COVID-19 vaccine for medical students once the vaccine has gained full FDA approval. No set decision has been made to make it a requirement.

"We are highly encouraging the vaccines, but not at this point requiring them. We are treating everybody the same, vaccinated and unvaccinated. We're asking [everyone] to wear masks because we can't distance again when cases have gone up again," Weber said.

### **Vaccine Approval**

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H.B. 244 states that restriction only applies to vaccines that have not gotten full FDA approval. The FDA is currently reviewing the status of the Johnson and Johnson, Moderna and [Pfizer](#) vaccine, with full approval for Pfizer, expected to come in January 2022, or sooner according to an FDA press release.

“Currently, the vaccine (Pfizer) is authorized for emergency use to prevent COVID-19 in individuals ages 12 and older. The Prescription Drug User Fee (PDUFA) Goal Date of January 2022 reflects the PDUFA deadline for Priority Review and does not mean approval will not happen before that time.”

It remains to be seen what the effect of full FDA approval for the COVID-19 vaccines will be for state institutions and universities.

Also, it remains unclear how WSU's COVID-19 policies will change due to bill 244 and possible vaccine approval.

The Wright State Guardian has reached out to Dean of Students Chris Taylor twice since Gov. DeWine signed H.B. 244 into law on July 14 and has received no further information.

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Fall Fest: The First Big In-Person Event of the Semester: Are You Going?

Kaylee Raines

July 28, 2021

As the fall semester approaches, students and staff are gradually working their way back to campus and in-person activities. While the Wright State University (WSU) Activities Board (UAB) members are excited to revive student involvement on campus, there are mixed reviews from students and staff on whether they feel comfortable with in-person events.

## **UAB input**

UAB members are eager to help students and staff feel more connected on campus as WSU transitions back to in-person activities.

“I do view Fall Fest as a transition back to normal life (or as close as it is going to get) because during quarantine we all lacked social interaction and community- especially in college. So it’s good to be getting back our social aspect on campus,” UAB member Elissa Wakim said.

“Fall fest resuming this year has definitely put a positive outlook on the upcoming semester for most students,” UAB member Izzy Rice said.

UAB President Jeffrey Shehee hopes that Fall Fest will help connect students to organizations and activities on campus to enhance their WSU experience.

“A lot of WSU freshmen and sophomores haven’t really seen the campus due to COVID and will now have the chance to get involved for the first time,” Shehee said.

Currently, there are more than 50 student organizations registered to participate in Fall Fest. Students that are looking to get involved, find a club or enjoy a day on campus are encouraged to attend this event and learn about what extracurriculars WSU has to offer while enjoying food and activities.

*Fall Fest is Friday, August 27th from 11 a.m.-3 p.m.*

## **Student and staff input**

WSU sophomore Kaycie Bolin is not planning to attend fall fest this year and prefers an online format for her college experience.

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“It’s so much more convenient for me and I have done super well online,” Bolin said.

French professor Jean-Michel Lamoine has reservations about returning to campus.

“I am not planning to go to Fall Fest because of COVID and its Delta Variant. Although, I do miss campus a lot,” Lamoine said.

WSU grad student Alex Dang is excited to check out fall fest again and misses the times he got to go as an undergrad.

“I miss the free giveaways to my favorite restaurants and attractions around the Dayton area, as well as the activities around each booth,” Dang said.

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Organization Spotlight: Lupi  
Shaddia Qasem  
July 29, 2021

Many colleges have secret societies; one of those colleges happens to be Wright State University.

Have you ever wondered who makes those cup signs in the fence of Lot 6 or who the masked people are at some of the campus events?

The Ut Ex Lupi Ignotum organization, also known as Lupi, is Wright State's secret organization whose goal is to enhance community and morale on campus.

"Ut Ex Lupi Ignotum means the Order of the Unknown Wolves. It was started by passionate students on campus that wanted to create new traditions and add a secrecy to Wright State's campus as a whole," said an anonymous member of Lupi.

What sets Lupi apart from any other organization is the anonymity of its members and their spirit initiatives.

"The decision to remain anonymous was to take the focus off of ourselves. We don't want to be known or acknowledged for what we do. We simply want to promote school spirit," said the member.

By staying anonymous, the focus is more on what they do to represent Wright State rather than specific individuals in the organization.

"Our goal is to promote school spirit. We want students to see us, see the masks and hopefully get more excited about attending WSU events and taking pride in our school," said a member.

Apart from working in the shadows, Lupi is known for a specific spirit initiative that students most likely see without realizing who is behind the act.

"One of our most popular things that we do is leave sayings on the fence between Rike/Student Success and the Dog Park. Whether it is an event we are going to be at or just a hint, that is our biggest way of communication with campus," said a member.

Sometimes when Lupi attends an event to promote something, new and/or unaware students are surprised at their masked, wolf-like appearance.

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“We hope that students are not scared by the attire, but know that when Lupi shows up at an event, it is important. We hope Lupi gives them a sense of pride, makes them feel like they belong here and encourages them to have more school spirit,” said a member.

Secrecy is their favorite aspect of being a part of such a fascinating and mysterious organization.

“It’s so much fun to walk past friends, look you straight in the face and have absolutely no clue that it’s us,” said the member.

Keep up with Lupi and their spirit initiatives on Twitter and Instagram @wrightstatelupi and look for them at future events on campus. You’ll never know who is under the masks

New Policies: 5 Things to Know Before Returning to Campus

Jamie Naylor

July 29, 2021

In the weeks leading up to the beginning of the fall semester, Wright State University continues to update its COVID-19 policies. Here are five things you need to know before your return to campus.

### **New policy**

In a campus-wide email, President Edwards announced WSU's "new normal" for the Fall 2021 semester. These plans are based on recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines and the arrival of the Delta variant in the US.

### **Vaccination**

As stated in the communication, vaccination against COVID-19 for staff and students is not required by the university but is highly encouraged.

Vaccination remains the highest protection against the coronavirus and its variants like Delta, according to the CDC.

Wright State Physicians is still offering the Moderna vaccine for those wishing to get vaccinated.

### **Masking**

The mask mandate for WSU, lifted in late May due to falling COVID-19 case numbers, is not fully reinstated. However, the university is encouraging mask-wearing and social distancing inside campus buildings and outdoors when physical distancing is not possible.

With the Delta variant in the US and increasing case numbers, highest among the unvaccinated, the CDC now recommends both fully vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals to resume masking and social distancing in high transmission areas.

A high transmission area is defined as an area where COVID-19 is easily spreading due to high infection rates or other factors. According to the CDC Greene, Montgomery, Warren, and Miami County, key Raider Country territories are all substantial transmission areas.

### **Housing**

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Included in the campus plan is regular testing for those exposed to COVID-19, symptomatic or asymptomatic individuals, and residential students.

Residential students living on the Dayton and Lake Campus, vaccinated or unvaccinated, must follow a testing protocol before moving to campus.

Details about this testing program are yet to be released.

Guests, small gatherings and games in outdoor common areas are permitted for those living in residential communities.

READ MORE: [Vaccinated Residential Students Permitted to Have Roommates Fall Semester](#)

## **Student Life**

According to the statement, all WSU employees are expected to arrive back on campus on August 2. Classes are to resume at 100% capacity with most synchronous online classes converting to in-person classes. Students may check their schedules for updates via Wings Express.

In-person events hosted by student organizations, recreation programs, and other student involvement activities can be expected to return.