

At UTC, we're doing all we can to mitigate COVID-19 risk to our campus community, and we're counting on campus visitors to help.

Virus mitigation protocols are in place for the protection of our students, faculty, staff and visitors—whether alumni, prospective students or those with business on campus.

UTC working, learning, living and dining environments are adapted for safety best practices. Thank you for complying with these protocols.

ACCESS TO CAMPUS

UTC will monitor access to campus through the remainder of the summer, while most buildings will continue to require swipe card access. Before coming to campus, all visitors must confirm arrangements for access with the offices or people they plan to visit.

Visitors are encouraged to review the University's COVID-19 information and mitigation protocols [here](#).

Protocols require every person on campus to wear a face mask. Visitors should bring their own face masks. If a visitor does not have a face mask, he or she should contact the office or person to be visited to arrange to be supplied with a face mask.

Visitors unable to secure a face mask otherwise should call Faith Garner of UTC Emergency Services at 423-425-5741.

Visitors should monitor their health prior to arriving on campus and be sure they are not experiencing one or more COVID-19 related symptoms within three days of arrival to campus.

NO VISITORS ALLOWED

For the protection of the student residents, no visitors or non-residents of any kind are permitted in University Housing except during official, scheduled move-in and move-out periods.

IF CIRCUMSTANCES CHANGE

Visiting campus or events on campus may be cancelled if circumstances require the University to move completely to online learning and a remote workforce. UTC reserves the right to cancel or stop hosting in-person events on campus if required by response to COVID-19 related changes. Recommendations from state and local officials and/or changes in University procedures will be followed if in-person events are no longer deemed safe and manageable.

FACE MASK REQUIREMENTS

Face masks help contain droplets that may leave a person's mouth or nose when breathing or talking. That's why wearing face masks is not about

protecting wearers, it's about protecting those around us. Wearing face masks is the responsible thing to do toward protecting our community and ourselves, and all visitors must wear face masks while on campus, in compliance with University policy. Face masks are required in any setting where social distancing is not possible and, generally, throughout a visitor's time on campus.

A visitor without his or her own mask may be furnished a disposable mask.

Concerns about non-use of masks by visitors or contractors should be referred to UTC Safety and Risk Management: 423-425-5741.

HANDWASHING HYGIENE

Frequent, thorough handwashing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds is one of the best ways of protecting yourself and others from germs and the spread of infectious disease.

Among the many ways you can spread, share or come in contact with disease-causing germs is:

- *Touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands*
- *Preparing or consuming food and drinks with unwashed hands*
- *Touching unclean, contaminated surface or objects*
- *Blowing your nose, coughing or sneezing*

Wash your hands often—before preparing food; before and after eating or drinking; after touching surfaces such as doorknobs or handrails; after contact with any surface or object that may not be clean; on restroom visits; after blowing your nose or coughing or sneezing.

In the absence of soap and water, use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol. Hand sanitizer stations are available at all possible locations across campus.

SOCIAL DISTANCING

Campus visitors are expected and encouraged to practice social distancing, just as all members of the UTC campus community are required to do.

This means maintaining at least six feet of separation between yourself and others at all times and wearing a face mask in any setting where six feet of separation is not possible.

In addition, visitors are expected to comply with posted requests to avoid using elevators that may be occupied, to follow posted guidance on direction of pedestrian foot traffic and any other personal movement and to maintain six feet of space from others in places where people must gather (such as waiting in lines).