DISCOVER MASON: OVERVIEW FOR THE COMMUNITY

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GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY

MASON: WHO ARE WE?

- Virginia's largest public research university, with over 38,000 students
    - One of 131 U.S. universities to receive highest research designation from Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education
- Over 7,000 faculty and staff
- A physical campus presence throughout the region (Arlington, Fairfax, Prince William) and Korea
- 200,000+ alumni - - 60% who have stayed in the DC Region
- More than half of Mason's undergraduates are students of color, and Mason exceeds national graduation rates regardless of race, ethnicity or wealth status
- Best value in higher education – producing graduates who lead all Virginia schools with the highest annual salaries

COVID-19 RESPONSE AT MASON

- More than 91% of Mason students, faculty, and staff are vaccinated

- Initiated the largest-scale surveillance testing protocol of any Virginia university - up to 13,000 members of the Mason community/week. Other Virginia universities are testing 500 to 3,000 individuals/week.

- Notifying every student, faculty, and staff member who may have been exposed to someone testing positive for COVID.

- Since August 23, we are tracking 83 positive cases among our nearly 50,000 students, faculty, and staff.

- Daily online Mason COVID health check required for all Mason community and visitors to campus.

- Masks are required in all indoor settings unless actively eating or drinking.

- COVID-19 Dashboard, visit:

   https://www2.gmu.edu/campus-covid-19-data

UNIVERSITY MASTER PLAN

- The George Mason University master plan, which began development in January 2020, will be a framework to guide future decision making around the university's three primary campuses in Arlington, Fairfax, and Prince William.

- There have been numerous community engagement sessions, as well as specific meetings with local jurisdictions to share information, and discuss opportunities and concerns.

- To learn more about the Master Plan recommendations, timeline, view past community engagement sessions, or provide feedback, visit:

https://construction.gmu.edu/university-master-plan

Office of Community and Local Government Relations

- Neighbor complaint received
- Complaint Protocol letter sent to neighbor
- Notify/work with appropriate offices including: Contemporary Student Services (CSS), Greek Life, Police, Student Conduct, City/County offices
- Create/Supply Good Neighbor education materials for CSS - Coasters, Magnets, Cards, Keychain Flashlights etc.

Contemporary Student Services

- Once complaint received, send Good Neighbor Kit to student address
- Good Neighbor Day/Other events to promote neighborly behavior
- Social media campaign promoting neighborly behavior
- Recent HOA letter

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A one-stop website to assist businesses and community individuals in accessing the university:

- Business Resources and Services

- Camps and Recreation

- Events, Venues and Space Rentals

- Professional and Community Learning

Business Services and Resources

- Doing business with Mason (caterers, vendors)

- Advertising at Mason

- Mason Enterprise Center (how to start/grow a company)

- Career Services (how to hire Mason students, or get an intern)
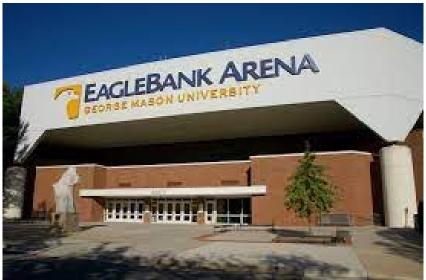
- Find a Mason expert

- Philanthropic partnerships

Camps and Recreation

- Summer Camps
- Recreation Facility Membership
- The Edge

Events, Venues, and Space Rentals

- Rent conference or office space

- Rent a performance venue or practice room

- Rent Corner Pocket game room

- Attend events at a performing arts venue or EagleBank Arena

- University Libraries

- Observatory

Professional and Community Learning

- Professional Development

- Osher Lifelong Learning Institute/Encore Learning

- Senior Tuition Waiver

- Mason Speakers

- GMU-TV

- Test Preparation Courses for GRE

- Center for Global Education

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