

Face Coverings in the Classroom

How do I address a student in my classroom who isn't following the Usage of Face Coverings Policy?

Instructors and/or Department Heads/Chairs should follow the steps outlined in the [Policy on Classroom Behavior](#) to address students who refuse to wear face coverings in the classroom.

- 1 Address students who are not wearing a face covering while the behavior is occurring.**
 - A general reminder to the class about face covering use prior to the start of class may reduce instances of students not wearing face coverings.
 - If additional action is necessary, individual students may be pulled aside from the class to be addressed directly.
- 2 Inform the student that they may be instructed to leave class immediately should they persist in not wearing a face covering.**
 - Removing a student for a session or for persistent non-compliance with the face covering policy across multiple course sessions should be reported to the department head/chair and/or dean or designee.
 - Consider taking notes about your conversation and/or any actions taken to address the student to share with your department head/chair.
- 3 Talk with your department head/chair**
 - When a student is removed or persists after being directly addressed, the department head/chair may work with the instructor and student to resolve the matter.
 - The department head/chair may negotiate a resolution including, but not limited to those options outlined in the [Policy on Classroom Behavior](#).
- 4 Report the behavior to Student Conduct**
 - Students who persist in not wearing a mask after being directly addressed by the faculty member and department head/chair may be referred to Student Conduct.
 - Student Conduct may consult with the department head/chair or associate dean to address the behavior.
 - Behaviors may be reported to Student Conduct using the [Public Health Directive Concern Form](#).

