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As of July 1, USF Tampa, USF St. Petersburg, and USF Sarasota-Manatee have consolidated into one USF. Two years after starting the consolidation process, the previously separately accredited universities, are now operating under one umbrella.

Consolidating into one university allows students at each location to access the same services and programs, such as academic advising, financial aid, career services, and mental health counseling, along with uniform tuition and fees. Each campus will be able to maintain their own identities while sharing in the prestige, extra funding, and other benefits that come with USF's status as a preeminent university in Florida.

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, who signed off on the plan, will be visiting each campus over the next year to verify the consolidated university complies with their requirements.

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- Fall semester begins on August 24
- Nominate a deserving coworker for an excellence award at <u>bit.ly/ExcellenceRecognition</u>

### EMPLOYEE PROFILE

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As the fall semester begins, there will be an increase in the amount of people on-campus. In order to ensure the safety of the USF community and prevent the spread of COVID-19, we encourage all those who will be on-campus to practice the following behaviors.

First, practice physical distancing by staying at least six feet apart and avoiding hugs, handshakes, and close quarters. The capacities of classrooms, offices, and facilities have been adjusted to accommadate physical distancing.

USF will issue two reusable and washable face coverings for each student, staff and faculty member. Face coverings are required to be worn inside university facilities and should also be worn outdoors when physical distancing is not possible.

Make sure to wash your hands often with soap and water for 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer that contains at

least 60% alcohol. USF is providing two bottles of hand sanitizer every 30 days via vending machines throughout campus.

Finally, make sure you are cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces often. The hand sanitizer provided by USF is an appropriate disinfectant to clean your personal space.

To ensure a safe and healthy environment as students, faculty, and staff return to campus, USF is taking a four phase approach that is adapted as new data is collected.

While we try to return to normal, remember to do your part to stop the spread by physical distancing, wearing a face covering, frequently washing your hands, and sanitizing your space often. To view the four phase plan and to find other information and frequently asked questions on COVID-19 and returning to campus, visit usf.edu/coronavirus.