

Voluntary COVID-19 testing available for employees week of Dec. 7

Voluntary COVID-19 testing for faculty, staff and wage employees will be held the week of Dec. 7.

Employees must register for testing in advance. For dates, registration links, and FAQ's, visit <https://vtnews.vt.edu/notices/hr-voluntary-testing-weekofDec7.html>

Testing the week of Dec. 7 will take place at Schiffert Health Center (2nd floor). Employees should receive their results in 48 to 72 business hours of being tested.

If you are a high-contact employee who is regularly tested because of your job with the university and you sign up for voluntary testing, please note "surveillance" in the comment field when you register.

Additional voluntary employee testing will be offered the week of Dec. 14 and early January. Registration links will be published next week.

If you have questions about voluntary employee testing, contact employeetesting@vt.edu or call the HR Service Center at 540-231-9331.

During the holidays, employees are reminded to be Hokie Ready! Follow the COVID-19 travel guidelines and tips from Virginia Tech Emergency Management. Remember to check the Virginia Tech Ready page at <https://ready.vt.edu> for the latest COVID-19 information from the university.

Spring 2021 parking permits on sale now

Virginia Tech community members interested in purchasing a Blacksburg campus spring 2021 parking permit can now do so online at https://pay.parking.vt.edu/cmnn/auth_ext.aspx or in-person at Parking Services at 505 Beamer Way.

Spring permits are valid for use from the moment of purchase until Aug. 31, 2021. Permits purchased online will be mailed to the customer at the address of their choice. To purchase any type of parking permit, employees and students will be asked to register their vehicle on campus using information from their DMV registration card (VIN number, etc.).

Additional spring 2021 semester parking options include:

- Coming soon - On-demand campus parking with

ParkMobile: Virginia Tech has partnered with ParkMobile to provide a convenient, contactless electronic payment option for parking on the Blacksburg campus. Visit <https://parking.vt.edu/parking/parkmobile.html> and refer to the VT Daily for the latest updates.

- Daily parking: Daily permits can be purchased online or in-person at Parking Services for \$6.
- Metered parking: A Campus Parking Map includes meter locations.
- New parking options for Thanksgiving through mid-January 2021

For more information and questions, please contact Parking Services at 540-231-3200 or parking@vt.edu.

Virginia Tech recognizes employees for combined 14,800 years of service

Virginia Tech is recognizing more than 700 employees for their commitment to service and for exemplifying our motto, *Ut Prosim* (That I May Serve). Collectively, these employees dedicated 14,800 years of service to the university.

"We owe our success to the dedication and loyalty of our employees," said Virginia Tech President Tim Sands. "The individuals we recognize have added immeasurable value to the university during their years of service, and we gratefully acknowledge and celebrate their impressive career milestones."

The service recognition program acknowledges employees' service to the university in five-year increments, beginning at 10 years. Of the employees recognized this year, the following 53 have served Virginia Tech for 40 years or more, representing over 2,225 years of combined service:

50 Years:

- George Clum
- E. S. Geller
- Alexis Johnson
- Joseph Schetz
- Bonnie Sutphin

45 Years:

- Charlotte Breeding
- John Burns
- Henry Dickerson
- Harry Dorn
- Donna Dunay
- Terry Herdman
- Arthur Keown
- Vickie Martin

- James McAlister
- Patsy Neice
- Jane Price

40 Years:

- Ralph Amateis
- Aloysius Louis Beex
- Joe Boling
- Debbie Carroll
- Richard Cooper
- Robert Dellinger
- Thomas Diller
- Sally Dunbar
- Sheila Early
- James Elliott
- Linda Fountaine
- Carolyn Farrow
- Steven Glosch
- Peter Graham
- David Hosner
- Margaret Howell
- Michael Hughes
- Larry Jackson
- Judy Keister
- Mary Ann McFarland
- Lois Mullins
- Phyllis Neece
- Thomas Ollendick
- Kim O'Rourke
- Linda Perkins
- Cathy Pillow
- Judy Reed
- Jerry Rhea
- Dwight M. Shelton
- Joseph Sirgy
- Elizabeth Stanley
- Christopher Wakley
- James Warren
- Peggy Webb
- Robert White
- Richard Winett
- Marsha Wright

“For nearly 150 years, we have built on our service commitment in order to have a positive impact on the lives of the students we teach, the communities we serve, and the world we live in,” said Bryan Garey, vice president for human resources. “Congratulations to all of the employees we are recognizing this year for their dedicated, continuous service to the university.”

Employees with 25 or more years of service were mailed to their office address an etched Hokie stone, a symbol of strength and stability. The stone reflects each employee who receives them.

Starting at 40 years of service, the Hokie stones are personalized with the employee's name and years of service.

All employees received a service lapel pin and certificate.

In addition to the university's recognition program, the following employees were recognized by the state of Virginia as employees of the Commonwealth. State service may differ from Virginia Tech service.

40 Years:

- Saifur Rahman
- James Warren

A complete list of employees recognized this year is available online at <https://www.hr.vt.edu/our-workplace/awards-recognition/recognitions/service-recognition-program/2020.html>.

Learn more about saving for future higher education expenses with VA 529 webinar

Hokie Wellness is offering a Virginia529 webinar for employees and their families on Tuesday, Dec. 8, 12-1 p.m.

Learn how to save for future higher education expenses for your children, grandchildren or yourself. The webinar will explain how to:

- Save for tuition and other higher education costs, such as housing, textbooks, and more.
- Take advantage of tax-free earnings and the Virginia state tax deduction.
- And most importantly, meet savings goals.

With the holidays approaching, it is a great time to learn how to save for future higher education expenses and considering giving the gift of college.

Registration is required at <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/6116794702192080654>. For more information or questions, contact Hokie Wellness at hokiewellness@vt.edu.