Responsibility Pledge

As a student, faculty, or staff member, I pledge to:

PROTECT MYSELF
- Recognize the importance of daily self-monitoring for symptoms each day before coming to campus or leaving my residence hall.
- Wash my hands frequently with soap and water or use hand sanitizer when washing isn’t feasible.
- Follow the guidance of medical providers and directives of university officials related to ensuring the health, safety, and welfare of other students, faculty, and staff.
- Practice appropriate self-hygiene measures and keep my personal space and belongings clean.
- Get the COVID-19 vaccination.

PROTECT OTHERS
- Stay home or remain in my residence hall room if I am feeling ill or am exhibiting any symptoms of COVID-19 (i.e. fever, chills, shortness of breath, sore throat, loss of taste/smell).
- Wear a mask/face covering in all public areas inside campus buildings (classrooms, common areas, restrooms, etc.).
- Follow social distancing guidelines and refrain from rearranging furniture in classrooms or common areas that has been spaced to meet guidelines.
- Participate in pre/post cleaning of individual classroom space and/or equipment used.

PROTECT THE UW-PARKSIDE COMMUNITY
- Follow all federal, state, and local health guidelines and university directives related to stopping the spread of COVID-19 both on-campus AND off-campus.
- Participate in COVID-19 related testing and/or contact tracing as directed by university or county health department officials.
- Remind others of their pledge and responsibility for fostering community wellness.
- Recognize that COVID-19 is a global pandemic, not specific to any race or ethnicity, and decisions made by the university in response to the pandemic are guided by information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, and our local health departments.

I understand that the above expectations of me as a member of the UW-Parkside community have been put in place to protect myself and those around me. I further understand that failure to adhere to the stipulations of this pledge may result in referral to the Dean of Students Office or Human Resources Office.