Getting to Zero COVID-19 Transmissions On-Campus



CHALLENGES

Like many colleges and universities, the on-campus experience is an integral part of the Austin College offering, so offering students a way to keep engaging with their higher education experience in-person was a priority for the COVID-19 task force. The technology solution they were looking for needed to accomplish the following:

- Support various student situations (commuter, on-campus, remote) in their hybrid education approach.
- Create a privacy-first record of locations visited by anyone on-campus to permit rapid response notifications in the event of suspected exposure.
- Track confirmed cases through quarantine and recovery to support safely returning to campus for students who were infected.

OPPORTUNITIES

Keeping students safely on-campus is a significant opportunity for any post-secondary institution focused on delivering a quality in-person educational experience. Provided they anchored their approach on a tool students would use, there was a clear opportunity to:

- Safely offer students their preferred learning experience in the challenging context of a global pandemic.
- Demonstrate leadership in developing a comprehensive COVID-19 transmission prevention program built on innovative technology.
- Deepen engagement with a campus app that students already loved.

OUTCOMES

The following outcomes are based on the past year since Austin College introduced the app to their campus community:



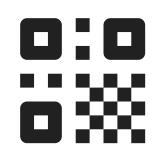
Zero

On-Campus
Transmissions of
COVID-19



455

Suspected Cases
Tracked &
Quarantined



110,000+
Contact Trace

Contact Trace
Check-ins



100% Student

Student Participation



The Choice Was Simple, The IT Lift Was Low



"Other vendors that approached us or that we sought out had all these extra installations. They were using RF trackers, and we knew students would not wear bracelets, much less faculty or staff. The QR code with the Ready Education app just made sense.

The fast 3-week turnaround perfectly aligned with our launch date to students and faculty. The Ready Education team definitely exceeded expectations."

Garrett Hubbard

Director of IT

Health Pass | Green JUL 31 | | You are Clear! | | Valid for the day. If you start experiencing any symptoms, please immediately report to the health center. | | 167,000 + Health Pass | | Pre-Screenings | | Completed |

"We Thrived Thanks to the App"



"We thrived thanks to the app. Room and board is a huge part of our overall business model; we would not have been able to get students back on campus without it."

Elizabeth Gill Vice President of Academic Affairs

Students Love the App



"We received direct comments from students congratulating the college for taking this route. The app was welcomed with open arms."

James Smith Programmer/Analyst

Student App Reviews

Haj M.



Great communication tool

"This is a great tool for us to have. Especially with covid going on and everyone distancing."

Taiwan C.



Love it!!

"I love the app. Everything is much easier to navigate."

JBB.



Great App!!

"This app works well."