With the start of the fall semester, we are looking forward to the variety of events and gatherings that bring our campus to life. At this time, an approved event exception is not required to host an event of any size. However, throughout your planning process, we strongly encourage you to review the University’s general event planning guidance, which offers important considerations for planning on-campus activities and events and details the University’s COVID-19 prevention principles.

You can review these resources on the Events & Gatherings webpage at https://covid19.arizona.edu/reentry-plan/events.

Recently, the University issued the following mask guidance:

Based on the current health conditions and aligned with CDC guidance as well as our commitment to deliver in-person learning at the University of Arizona, we will require face masks be worn in all indoor spaces where it is not possible to adequately and continuously maintain social distance.

To support this, the following signage will be placed in various buildings and locations around campus.

We encourage you to work with your building manager when planning your event and clearly communicate masking expectations with your attendees accordingly. Sample language to share with event attendees could include:
“For the safety of all the attendees at (Name of event), (Your college/department name) strongly recommends guests wear masks when attending this event. Masks will be available at the door for your convenience.”

“COVID-19 Guidelines: All guests will be required to follow campus health and safety protocols in place at the time of this event as well as adhere to any existing state and local guidelines. In addition, this event may be cancelled or changed on short notice due to public health circumstances. For updates and information, please visit https://covid19.arizona.edu/updates.”

Event planners are also encouraged to utilize the University’s On-Campus Event Planning Event Planning Checklist to maximize event safety.

Should public health conditions change, we will be sure to communicate any impact to the University’s event and gathering guidance immediately.

Resources:
- University Guidance for Events and Gathering - https://covid19.arizona.edu/reentry-plan/events
- On Campus Event Checklist (revised 8.16.21) - https://arizona.app.box.com/s/3nz00ibj8mugxgcmf34cab98x7xhipc
- Questions related to University gatherings – eventexceptions@email.arizona.edu