



AIR QUALITY INDEX* – LEVELS OF HEALTH CONCERN

Levels	Numerical Value	Meaning
Good	0 to 50	Air quality is considered satisfactory, and air pollution poses little or no risk.
Moderate	51 to 100	Air quality is acceptable; however, for some pollutants there may be a moderate health concern for a very small number of people who are unusually sensitive to air pollution. Students/faculty/staff who are unusually sensitive to air pollution could have symptoms.
Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups	101 to 150	<p>For longer activities, such as athletic practices and events, more breaks and less intense activities are recommended. Watch for symptoms and take action as needed. Athletic staff/outdoor recreation staff should consult with individuals who fall into the sensitive groups about participation in practice, competition, and/or outdoor events.</p> <p>Members of sensitive groups may experience health effects. The general public is not likely to be affected. Students/faculty/staff with asthma and other respiratory conditions should follow their health care plans and keep their quick relief medicine handy.</p> <p>Begin to close windows and doors to shift to internal air filtered by HVAC systems.</p>
Unhealthy	151 to 200	<p>Everyone may begin to experience health effects; members of sensitive groups may experience more serious health effects. Reduce all outdoor activities. Consider moving activities indoors or rescheduling them to other days. For activities, such as athletic practices, reduce activities, take more breaks and do less intensive workouts. Watch for symptoms and take action as needed.</p> <p>Students/faculty/staff with asthma and other respiratory conditions should follow their health care plans and keep their quick relief medicine handy.</p> <p>All windows and doors should remain closed, limiting outside air. Rely on internal air filtered by HVAC system.</p>
Very Unhealthy	201 to 300	<p>Health alert: everyone may experience more serious health effects. Move all activities indoors or reschedule them to another day. Consider not having classes or close college early.</p>
Hazardous	301 to 500	Health warnings of emergency conditions. The entire population is more likely to be affected. Cancel classes and close college as soon as possible.

** In dynamic situations resulting from wildfire smoke, other factors — such as disproportionate traffic impact, smog-related air quality conditions, fluctuating wind strength, and projected drastic environmental changes that may affect the wellbeing of students and employees — will result in definite actions that may not correspond to the AQI threshold.*