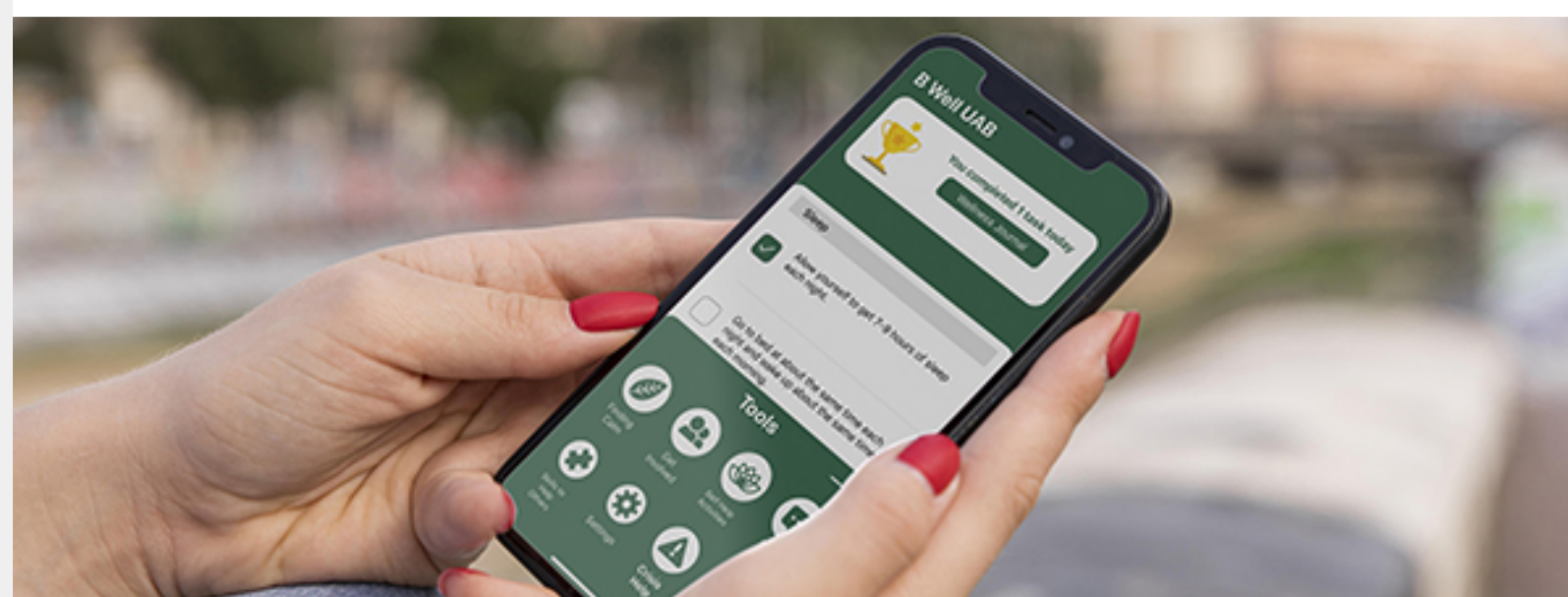


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Blazer-made mental health app puts wellness in student hands

B Well helps students easily access resources on mobile devices and build a self-care plan that encourages healthy habits.

Campus operations altered today due to weather

Due to the expected precipitation and freezing overnight, UAB operations will be altered today. Tuesday classes are canceled, and the Green Weather Group should not report to campus. The Yellow Weather Group should follow supervisor instructions. The Red Weather Group is expected to report to work; ambulatory clinic appointments scheduled 1 p.m. or later will continue as usual. Check your weather group assignment at uab.edu/emergency/weather for guidance.



FROM THE EXPERTS: 'We need to continue to be vigilant'

Even after vaccination, safety precautions such as masking enable us to continue in-classroom learning, attend sporting events and keep COVID-19 hospitalization numbers from spiking again, says Public Health Professor Suzanne Judd, Ph.D.

COVID-19 updates

Vaccine, testing, clinic time changes due to weather

Active sentinel testing sites will be closed, and health clinic appointments prior to 1 p.m. are canceled. Spain Auditorium will open for vaccines at 10 a.m., and the Highlands site will open for COVID-19 testing at 10 a.m. and for vaccinations at 2 p.m. UAB's vaccination sites at Parker High School and the Hoover Met will be closed through Wednesday; appointments will be rescheduled for Thursday and Friday. Check uab.edu/emergency for updates.

On-campus events to be permitted — with stipulations

The temporary restriction on in-person student events expired Feb. 14, and safety behavior exhibited by students, faculty and staff has enabled UAB to maintain relatively low COVID transmission. As a result, UAB leadership is working to reduce some restrictions that will enable students to enjoy certain programming within strict, established guidelines.

Call for answers to your COVID-19 questions

The new UAB GuideSafe Hotline — 205-934-SAFE (7233) — is a single source for answers to common COVID-19 questions about testing, exposure, Healthcheck, isolation and more. Look for campus updates online at uab.edu/uabunited.

Things to Know



Use this easy checklist to prepare for severe weather

UAB has several resources that, when coupled with personal initiatives, can help keep you safe during bad weather.

Health & Well-being Fair starts today

Join in URec's virtual Health and Well-being Fair to be held 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Feb. 16-18. Interact with more than 40 vendors, partner with local and national organizations and be eligible for free prizes.

Find health information you can trust

Sharpen your information assessment skills so you can cut through the good, bad and the ugly of health information on the web 7 p.m. Feb. 18.

Nominate a Blazer for the Student Excellence Awards

The awards honor students, student organizations, faculty and staff for outstanding contributions to leadership and service in campus life. Students and employees can submit nominations through March 7 for one or more of the 14 available awards. Email getinvolved@uab.edu for more info.

More news online

Get campus news at uab.edu/reporter and COVID-19 updates at uab.edu/uabunited. If you have news you want to share with UAB faculty and staff, use the Request Publicity form online.

Lectures and Learning



New African American historical collections 'a tremendous asset'

New primary source collections related to African American history and culture will provide a deeper understanding of Black history and its central place in the Birmingham community and beyond.

Learn more about the LGBTQ movement in Palestine Feb. 17

Sa'ed Atshan, author of the new book "Queer Palestine and the Empire of Critique," will discuss the necessity of connecting the struggles for Palestinian freedom with the struggle against homophobia 4 p.m. Feb. 17.

Review the history of chemical weapon use and destruction

Terry Tincher, chief of the CDC's Chemical Demilitarization Section, will focus on the history, production, use and dumping of chemical warfare agents, including arsenicals, and future needs related to these chemical threats during this lecture noon Feb. 18.

Get an intro to Quality Matters Feb. 24

Learn about UAB's QM initiative, the QM professional development opportunities available through UAB and about internal and official QM course-review processes during an online workshop 9 a.m. Feb. 24.

Explore the intersection of public health, state policy Feb. 25

Learn more about the way bills become law in Alabama, public health professionals can inform policy development and citizens can engage leaders to create change during a lecture hosted by the Maternal & Child Health Student Association 5 p.m. Feb. 25.

Reynolds Historical Lecture is Feb. 26

Professor Jeanne Marrazzo, M.D., director of the UAB Division of Infectious Diseases, will present the Reynolds-Finley Historical Lecture, "The COVID Pandemic in 2021: Where Have We Been and What Can We Expect?" 4 p.m. Feb. 26.

One more thing



Looking after each other is a Blazer tradition

In 1984, UAB President S. Richardson Hill Jr. signed the first pledge card for the new Benevolent Fund. Now, one hour of pay or 1% of your income per month can help Blazers and others in the community get through tough times.

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