

# OSU Respiratory Protection Program

**\*If you unsure if you should use a respirator contact Wooster Campus Public Safety for a consultation.**

## **Steps to join Respiratory Protection Program:**

1. Fill out ORAT: <http://orrrp.osu.edu/iacuc/occhealth/>
2. Email will be sent to you to schedule physical with MedPro
3. Receive medical clearance form via email from OSU Occupational Health
4. Contact Wooster Campus Public Safety EHS to schedule respirator fit test

## **For Fit Test, be prepared with the following:**

- Medical clearance form
- BuckID
- Respirator(s) that you will be wearing. If you don't have a respirator yet we will provide respirators for you to try on.
- Men must be cleaned shaved

## **Fit Testing takes place at the Wooster Campus Police Station on OARDC campus (Simon Rice House)**

<https://goo.gl/maps/Zxmq4GgRGvxPY2xK9>

\*After fit test is complete and respirator is properly fitted the employee/student will receive a Fit Test Report documenting the scores received for the brand and size of respirator worn for fit test. This document should be kept with employee/student's training records.

\*Fit test is required annually, employee/student will be notified by Wooster Campus Public Safety via email to schedule future fit tests.

## **Wooster Campus Public Safety EHS Responsibilities:**

WCPS-EHS will contact employee/student to schedule annual fit test.

Will train so each employee will be able to demonstrate the following knowledge:

- Why the respirator is necessary and how improper fit, usage, or maintenance can compromise the respirator
- Limitations and capabilities of the respirator
- Recognize medical signs that may limit or prevent the effective use of respirators
- General requirements of the respiratory protection standard
- How to inspect, don and doff, and check the seals of the respirator
- Procedures for maintenance and storage of the respirator

### **Employee Responsibilities:**

- Complete annual online Respiratory Protection Training
- Schedule and attend annual physical at MedPro
- Schedule and attend annual fit testing with WCPS-EHS
- Contact WCPS-EHS for fit test if any changes in employee/staff physical condition including, facial scarring, dental changes, cosmetic surgery, or an obvious change in body weight.
- Store and maintain respirator so its use does not present a health hazard to the user.

### **Voluntary Use:**

When respiratory protection is not mandated by the need to protect the health of the employee provisions may be made for the voluntary or elective use of respirators. This decision will be made by the employing department in consultation with WCPS-EHS.

The employee will be provided Appendix D of the respiratory protection standard titled “Information or Employees Using Respirators When Not Required under the Standard” as follows:

- Voluntary use of a filtering facepiece (dust mask) does not require medical clearance prior to use.
- Voluntary use of a tight-fitting respirator (full-face or half-face air purifying; or supplied air respirators) does require medical clearance prior to use.

\*Appendix D (Sec. 29 CFR 1910.134) [“Information for Employees Using Respirators When Not Required Under the Standard.”](#)