

Student Life's Plan for Autumn 2020 Transition

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Guiding Principles

In addition to the university's established guiding principles, Student Life is also focusing on:

- Strategies that contribute to student success
- Ohio State's foundational and strategic positioning
- Commitment to creating an extraordinary student experience



Student Life Foundational Transition to Campus Planning Committee

- 32 staff members
- 18 student members
- Subgroups:
 - Facility operations
 - Residential support
 - Student support and services
 - Staff support
 - Student programming
 - Client services



Residential Experience

- Reduced population density in residence halls (approximately 12,800 beds)
- Use of Buckeye Village and The Blackwell to expand housing availability
- Temporary expansion of housing exemption for second-year students (1,531 exemptions requested 7-6-20)
- Isolation and quarantine housing will be provided for students with housing contracts



Move-in

- Phased Move-In over period of 12 days
- Scheduled process to facilitate physical distancing in buildings and areas of campus
- Limits to 1-2 friends/family members per student; health checks requested
- Orientation Welcome Leaders (first-year volunteers) to assist with move-in logistics
- Sustained programming and activities



Dining

- Mobile ordering and pick-up will be most encouraged option
- Traditional all-you-care-to-eat dining locations will operate as pre-order, pick-up locations
- Chilled meal packages will be offered to reheating in residence hall rooms
- Self-serve salad bars and condiment/flatware stands will not be available
- Student meetings, including with dietitians, will be held virtually



Recreation

- Phased approach to reopening, including facility openings
- Density limitations by location, managed by swipe entry access and entry/exit staffing (1,210 in-time capacity across all indoor facilities)
- First phase will offer:
 - Activities with limited or no contact (cardio, strength training, tennis, table tennis, etc.)
 - Group fitness classes virtually or in-person with physical distancing in place
 - Personal training services
 - Tennis courts



Student support

- Virtual connection tools will be used to conduct as many appointments as possible
 - Student Health Services
 - Counseling and Consultation Service
 - Student Advocacy Center
 - Student Wellness Center
 - Student Conduct
- In-person appointments will use strategies to promote physical distancing
 - Usage of face masks for staff and clients
 - Staggered scheduling of appointments
 - Rearrange or mark lobby areas
 - Virtual queueing/text notification when appointment is ready



Student programming

- Virtual connection tools will be used to conduct as many events and programs as possible
- In-person events will follow federal, state, local and university guidelines and implement following changes:
 - Track attendees for contact tracing
 - Limit capacity
 - Consider usage of liability waivers
 - Avoid distribution of promotional items
 - Catering or food will not be permitted
- Welcome Week planning and coordination



Student Life Implementation Work Groups

- Facility Operations
- Communications
- Support of Vulnerable Populations
- Move-in
- Event Centers
- Adherence
- Student Health & Support Response
- Student Programming
- Quarantine/Isolation Housing and Support
- Mass Distribution of Items
- Telework
- Multi-modal planning



Adherence protocol: Students

- **STEP ONE:** The student should first be asked to comply (e.g., to wear a mask).
- **STEP TWO:** The student should be reminded about safe and healthy requirements.
- **STEP THREE:** The student should be told to leave the location and not to return until they are prepared to follow the requirements.



Adherence strategy: Students

A student and/or student organization will be referred to Student Conduct when behavior:

- Endangers the health or safety of campus community members, on- or off-campus
- Fails to comply with the directives outlined in the Safe Campus Requirements



Adherence reporting: Students

- If a student does not promptly comply, the incident should be reported to the Office of Student Life Student Conduct for potential disciplinary action and to assist with appropriate tracking.
- Even if unknown identity, a report to Student Conduct will assist the university in evaluating adherence efforts and potential proactive intervention efforts.