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Greetings from Bacone College!

We hope that you all are doing well and remaining safe during this second surge of the pandemic. We also hope that you are enjoying your summer vacation as best as you possibly can. Over the last few months, our staff and administration have been diligently working on developing and implementing policies that will keep our community as safe and healthy as possible. With this in mind, we ask for your patience and compliance with these policies that reflect our new normal at Bacone College.

As an initial matter, Bacone College asks that all faculty, staff, and students take extra precautions to avoid exposure to COVID-19 at least two weeks before returning to campus. Though our plan is to open the campus for students, faculty, and staff for the fall semester, it will be closed to visitors until further notice.

**ALL BACONE STAFF, FACULTY, AND STUDENTS MUST SUBMIT COVID-19 TEST RESULTS DATED NO EARLIER THAN AUGUST 5, 2020. YOU WILL NOT BE PERMITTED IN THE DORMS WITHOUT THESE RESULTS ON FILE.**

## **What to Expect Upon Your Return**

### **1. On-Campus Residential Facilities**

All residential students will be assigned private rooms—at no additional cost—this semester.

### **2. Social Distancing**

Bacone College encourages all individuals on campus to adhere to social distancing recommendations and maintain six feet from other individuals whenever possible and practical.

In any situation where social distancing is not possible or practical, individuals shall, at a minimum, wear a mask, except as outlined in this letter or as otherwise authorized on a case-by-case basis.

### **3. Mask Requirements**

**All** individuals on campus are required to wear a face mask until further notice. This requirement applies at all times, both indoors and outdoors, except as outlined in this letter or as otherwise authorized on a case-by-case basis by the administration. Additionally, all passengers in College-provided transportation to athletic or student events must wear masks.

Masks must be fabric or disposable surgical-style masks that cover the nose and mouth. Bandanas and scarfs are **not** acceptable. *Bacone College will make masks available daily at the first checkpoint described below.*

Individuals may remove their masks if:



- Individual is in enclosed, private room or workspace with no one else present;
- Individual is in their dorm room;
- Individual is in their personal vehicle with no passengers;
- Individuals is participating in activities where a face mask cannot be practically worn, such as eating and drinking (individuals should limit their conversation while the mask is removed);
- Individual is a student in their private dorm room (guests in private dorm rooms are required to wear masks, while students with guests in their private dorm room are strongly encouraged to wear masks).

#### **4. Temperature Monitoring, Checkpoints & Campus Entry**

We will be monitoring temperatures daily at two checkpoint stations set up on campus. If an individual has a fever, they will not be permitted into class, and will be required to submit to a COVID screening.

All individuals on campus must go through our campus checkpoint to enter any building on campus. The first checkpoint will be located at the corner of the Old Warrior Gym and Wacoche Hall. At this checkpoint, you will be provided daily with a disposable mask as needed and a daily pass to permit your admittance into campus buildings. The second checkpoint will be located at the west Palmer Center doors.

Bacone College's north end entrance will be closed until further notice. All vehicles must enter through the Shawnee Bypass entrance (south entrance).

#### **5. Personal Protection Equipment**

Upon arriving to campus, each Bacone College student will receive a PPE COVID-19 Student Kit that includes:

- 1-Washable Face Covering
- 1-3 oz. refillable hand sanitizer
- 1 pack of 10 hand sanitizing wipes
- 1-Reusable thermometer

For more information on our institutional COVID-19 policy, please visit our website. If you anticipate that you will need any accommodations related to complying with the requirements above, please contact the administration as soon as possible.

Stay safe and see you soon,

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