

COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS FAQs

OHIO CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY – AUGUST 2020

WHAT THE COMMUNITY SHOULD KNOW

Is campus open?

Campus is only open to the public for a specific event or meeting.

Athletic events will be allowed to have spectators so long as they abide by the restrictions listed below in the athletic questions section.

Can I go to the cafeteria or to a chapel service?

To best keep our student population safe our campus cafeteria is NOT open to the general public, nor are our chapel services.

STUDENT ILLNESS OR POTENTIAL CONTACT

If a student is showing any signs of an illness (whether they believe it to be COVID-19, or not) they should:

Contact their RD if they live on campus or reach out the Student Development office at 740-477-7702 if they will be commuting to campus that day.

They will be asked several questions, and if there is a concern, they will be asked to get tested for COVID-19.

Symptoms like fever warrant a self-quarantine to see if the symptom persists. If the fever remains the following day, they will be asked to get tested.

What is a residential student supposed to do if they come in contact with someone that has been diagnosed with COVID-19 or has been placed in isolation for COVID-19?

If the residential student is able to go home to self-quarantine, they will be asked to do so. If they are unable to self-quarantine at home, reach out to student development. Class instruction will be made available online as to ensure no students fall behind in their education.

CAMPUS PRECAUTIONS

How are we taking precautions in classrooms?

- Faculty have taken on the responsibility of sanitizing and cleaning student areas in classrooms after each class.
- Students will be social distancing at seats in classrooms that will be clearly marked.
- Class sizes that are too large to accommodate in our large classrooms will have hybrid accommodations.
- All students will be required to leave classroom before the next class enters

What does wearing a mask look like on campus?

Students, faculty, and staff will be expected to wear masks while on campus. During the semester, once students are seated, they may remove their masks and as long as faculty maintain a 6-foot distance, they may remove their masks to aid in lecturing, leading discussion, and answering questions.

What are we asking student to do?

Students are to abide by the [TRAILBLAZER SAFE SIX](#) and encourage them to stay on campus as much as possible. However, should they choose to leave, we also ask that they recognize it is their responsibility to keep themselves and the Ohio Christian community safe.

What are the precautions taken for other public areas?

1. Social distancing in all common areas and lines are marked for the cafeteria, coffee shop, etc...
2. Over 42 hand sanitizing stations have been installed campus wide, including dorm common areas
3. There are new designated entrances and exits for all buildings and classrooms
4. Staff, faculty, and students will check their temperature daily before entering any Ohio Christian University building. If your temperature is 100.0 degrees or higher please reach out to your appropriate contact.

What will Chapel look like with COVID-19 precautions?

- Social distancing measures will be implemented and there will be overflow areas available
- All doors to the auditorium prior to chapel will function as entrances, and after the service all doors will be exits as to limit crowding
- We are asking that all audience members not sing out loud as to not increase the spread of germs
- Faculty, staff, and community members are asked not to attend chapel. Staff and Faculty will be able to watch online at myocu.com/live

How is the cafeteria taking precautions?

- Just like the rest of campus, masks are to be worn until seated at a safe social distance
- The seating capacity of the cafeteria has been reduced to ensure social distancing compliance
- We are also asking that no community members dine in the cafeteria to best protect our students

CAMPUS SCHEDULES

What does the university semester schedule look like?

- Onsite class activities for the Circleville campus will cease starting at 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 24, and all courses will finish the final two weeks of the semester online after Thanksgiving break
- Students will return to the Circleville campus for the start of the Spring 2021 semester
- Pumpkin Show days are still awarded

HOW ARE ATHLETES STAYING SAFE?

How are athletes taking precautions?

- The temperatures will be taken of all student-athletes before they get on a bus to travel for any game/match
- Student-athlete temperature parameters specific to the RSC and NAIA will be adhered
- Once the bus has arrived on location, all student-athletes will, again, be subject to a fever check administered by a healthcare professional
- In addition, all fall sports will be completed before Thanksgiving

Will athletes be required to take the COVID-19 test?

Ohio Christian University seeks to comply with the most up-to-date information regarding the issue of COVID-19 testing for our fall student-athletes. At this time testing is not mandatory to play as it is not a requirement of our governing bodies. As things change, Ohio Christian University will respond accordingly.

What should spectators and parents know before coming on campus?

- All spectators attending games must wear a mask at all times and six-foot social distancing must be maintained between household groups

- Inside seating capacity is limited to 15% of normal capacity

WHAT HAPPENS IF THERE IS A SPIKE IN POSITIVE COVID-19 CASES?

Last year we were all thrown into a situation, thankfully, we were ready and adjusted with a smooth transition into online learning. Moving forward, we have made certain that all faculty will be prepared to move to online instruction, should the university need to go fully remote to best focus on the safety of all students, staff, and faculty.

Please reach out to the specific department that you have a question for:

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