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Welcome from the Dean of Students

Dear Students,

Whether you are brand-new to Bucknell or returning to campus, I am thrilled to welcome you to our Fall 2020 semester. Our faculty and staff have been preparing for months to ensure the best possible experience for everyone, with health and safety as our highest priority. On behalf of the University, thank you for your patience as we continue to work through the myriad details of our return to in-person instruction and residential life.

The COVID-19 pandemic has challenged all of us, and it will continue to affect our daily lives for the foreseeable future. Bucknell faculty and staff are fully committed to continuing to provide the transformative residential learning experience you expect. To deliver that experience safely, we’ve made some adjustments. This fall will be an unusual one, but we believe that together, as a community, we can and will have a successful semester.

In this document, you will find detailed information on what to expect when you arrive on campus in August. Please read carefully, as many aspects of University life will be different. I ask you to keep in mind that our ability to thrive together this fall will depend on our mutual respect and individual commitment to the good of the greater community. We are all counting on each other to follow new guidelines and look out for the health of all students, professors, staff and University neighbors.

In the same spirit of respect and support, we are also calling on every member of the Bucknell community to do their part to ensure the University is an anti-racist campus, welcoming and inclusive to all in the Fall 2020 semester and beyond. As President Bravman said in his June 15 message, we must cultivate an academic environment that is socially just, equitable, inclusive, accessible and diverse. As you prepare to come to campus, I ask you to reflect on your individual responsibility to help the University meet that goal as together we condemn racial violence and commit to systemic change. Each of us must play an active role.

This semester offers all of us an unprecedented opportunity to empower each other and emerge as an even stronger community. Let’s support each other in the very best tradition of Bucknell.

I wish you a safe and restful summer, and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

Amy Badal
Fritz Family Dean of Students
COMMITMENT TO AN INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY

Bucknell recognizes that each student has individual needs, and we are cognizant of the disparate affect the pandemic is having on specific communities, particularly our Black students, faculty, and staff. We also acknowledge that other historically marginalized communities are experiencing their own unique challenges related to Covid-19. At Bucknell, we remain committed to striving for an anti-racist campus, welcoming and inclusive to all in the Fall 2020 semester and beyond.

OPTION FOR REMOTE LEARNING

Many classes will be taught in person while others will be offered remote-only. As Provost Mermann-Jozwiak announced in her June 23 message, Bucknell is offering remote learning options for students who may encounter travel restrictions, or who have health or personal reasons that will prevent them from coming to campus for the Fall 2020 semester. Faculty are working hard to ensure that most courses that are taught in person are also available for students who must study remotely. A list of courses that will be conducted only through remote instruction was posted to the course information page in mid-July.

If you choose to remain away from campus and take classes remotely this fall, you must notify the University by submitting this form no later than midnight EDT on Sunday, Aug. 16. If you do not complete this form, we expect that you will return to Bucknell and engage in a residential learning experience.

Students who choose the remote learning option may not reside on or visit campus during the fall semester.

For more details regarding the remote learning option, please refer to Provost Mermann-Jozwiak’s email.
STUDENT HEALTH AND SAFETY

Community Responsibility Agreement

In order to keep our community safe, students will be required to adhere to an agreement of community responsibility. Face coverings, social distancing and holding one another accountable will be a priority as we work to mitigate the risk of COVID-19. When you arrive on campus in August, you will be required to review and electronically sign the statement below:

Bucknell University is a community of learners committed to supporting the health and safety of all members. We believe we do our best work when we feel safe. In the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is therefore vital that all community members engage in behavioral public safety measures intended to mitigate the spread of the virus. In so doing, we show compassion and concern for those who are most susceptible. By participating as a member of the campus community, you commit to the following:

- **Physical Distancing** of at least 6 feet is expected in all spaces, when feasible. This includes classrooms, labs, hallways, offices, restrooms, common areas and outdoor spaces.

- **Face Coverings** must be worn by all members of the community when in shared indoor spaces including classrooms, labs, hallways, offices, restrooms and common areas. Face coverings are also required outside when you are less than 6 feet away from others.

- **Respiratory Etiquette** (e.g., proper covering of face when coughing or sneezing) is expected at all times.

- **Proper Hand Hygiene**, including frequent washing with soap and water and/or the use of hand sanitizer, is expected.

- **COVID-19 Signage**, regarding hallway and stairway directions, room capacity limitations and other notices, is to be followed at all times.

- **Reporting of Symptoms and Isolation** when necessary. All community members are expected to consistently report symptoms and follow isolation and/or quarantine guidance from University medical officials.

As the state of the pandemic is fluid, modifications to these guidelines may occur over time. The University will provide consistent, ongoing communication regarding any changes in behavioral guidance.

Thank you in advance for doing your part to keep the Bucknell campus and local community as safe and healthy as possible.
My Herd

To provide all Bucknell students with extra support and communication during fall semester, we are launching a new initiative called “My Herd” — micro-communities that focus on group accountability and health monitoring.

Every Bucknell student, whether on campus or remote, will be placed in a “herd” — a small group composed of peers from each class year. Each herd will be supported by a staff or faculty leader. Herds will connect frequently, whether in person or remotely. You will hear from your staff or faculty herd leader prior to the start of classes.

Testing and Contact Tracing

Testing Process

Bucknell will employ an extensive testing process including symptomatic testing the day of arrival. Additionally, all students taking fall classes in person, whether they live on or off campus, will be required to take two self-administered COVID-19 tests prior to arrival on campus using kits provided by Bucknell and shipped to students. The associated costs for this testing process will be fully covered by the University. All students must have two negative COVID-19 tests to be permitted to move into their residence hall and/or attend in-person classes.

In order to accommodate those who are still awaiting test results, rapid testing will be available Aug. 12 through Aug. 16 at the Smith Parking Lot move-in hub. Students who take these tests will receive their results either the same day or the next morning, depending on the time the test is taken. You may choose to be tested on your scheduled move-in day, or on any day prior to your scheduled move-in day if you plan to arrive in Lewisburg early. You will not receive a room key or be allowed to move in until your on-campus test results are delivered. If you need to reschedule your move-in time, please do so in MyHOME.

Move-in has also been extended to include Tuesday, Aug. 18, and Wednesday, Aug. 19, with appointments available from 1 to 4 p.m. on both days. You can reschedule your move-in date and time using MyHOME if you are still awaiting results. If you need to delay your arrival to campus beyond Aug. 19, please email deanofstudents@bucknell.edu.

The University will accept results from COVID tests arranged on your own. To do so, you must share your documented proof of negative results with Bucknell Student Health prior to coming to campus by emailing the results to medicalrecords@bucknell.edu. The University will cover the cost of the test. Please save your testing receipt and send it to deanofstudents@bucknell.edu for reimbursement.

Please refer to the messages you received from Dean Badal and Dr. O’Neil for additional details about pre-arrival testing. Bucknell faculty and staff will also be tested prior to returning to campus. In addition, sequential testing of all students will be mandatory every 10 days on average throughout the semester beginning Aug. 18 to maintain surveillance of disease prevalence on campus, which will allow for aggressive mitigation. Staggered, ongoing appointments for these tests will be offered on weekdays and may be scheduled through the Bucknell App. The tests will be mid-nasal tests administered and processed by Genetworx, with results expected within 48 hours. Please go to the Herd Health section of the Bucknell app and begin to schedule your sequential tests.
Contact Tracing

Bucknell is implementing a contact-tracing program to provide timely notification to those who have been in close contact with persons with confirmed cases of COVID-19. Close contacts of persons with confirmed COVID-19 will be notified in a timely manner and be provided with instructions for next steps. In this context, “close contact” is defined as being within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes during the two days prior to the positive test result.

This program will be administered by University staff members specially trained in contact tracing, with additional employees to be added as needed. The team will also have access to GPS data collected from the Herd Health app as well as WiFi connectivity point data from the campus network. GPS data will be accessed only for contact tracing purposes, and privacy and confidentiality will be maintained. Contact tracing resources will be provided by Bucknell and not detract from resources needed for the surrounding community. For a variety of reasons, Bucknell’s contact tracing program will not extend beyond the campus community, and we will be unable to contact those who are not University students or employees.

Isolation and Quarantine

Isolation

Any student who tests positive for COVID-19 will not be permitted to immediately return to their assigned residence space. They have the option to return home or to a permanent place of residence to isolate if accompanied by a family member or friend.

If they prefer to stay at Bucknell, they will proceed directly to off-campus isolation housing provided by the University. Bucknell Student Health will provide daily check-ins via telehealth until the student is recovered and released from isolation. The University will provide transportation and deliver three meals a day (two on weekends) to students in isolation housing.

All students should pack an emergency bag in advance of their arrival on campus for use in case isolation housing is required at any point during the semester. Please have this bag available and ready to go at all times with two weeks’ worth of supplies. Suggested items to pack include:

- Medications (both prescriptions and over-the-counter medications such as fever reducers and pain relievers)
- Thermometer
- Self-care items such as tissues, hand sanitizer, etc.
- Cleaning wipes
- Toiletry items (shampoo, soap, deodorant, toothbrush, toothpaste and other personal care products)
- Extra contact lenses or glasses and associated supplies
- Healthy, non-perishable snacks such as nuts, dried fruits, granola or snack bars
- Water bottle

Items you use daily that cannot be packed ahead of time such as computers, phones, chargers, books or other school supplies should always be organized together and ready to access in the event you must move to isolation or quarantine in place.

Students in isolation should plan on remote learning as they are able while recovering from COVID-19. Student Health will notify the dean of students and the associate academic deans, who will notify professors of their absence.

Infected students will remain in isolation for at least 10 days from the onset of symptoms or from the date of their first positive COVID-19 test (for those who do not have symptoms). They will remain in isolation until symptoms improve, they are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of a fever reducer, and cleared for return to campus by Bucknell Student Health. All cases of COVID-19 will be reported to the Pennsylvania Department of Health.
Quarantine
Students identified as having close contact with someone who shows signs or who has tested positive for COVID-19 will be quarantined in their assigned residence space for 14 days. This may include an entire residence hall floor, suite, apartment or affinity house. Students in quarantine will notify their associate academic dean that they will be studying remotely for 14 days. The associate academic dean will notify their professors. University staff will deliver three meals a day (two on weekends).
Students in quarantine will use a daily symptom-checker app, receive referrals for on-campus resources and get support from their My Herd group leader.

Removal from Assigned Space
At any time, Bucknell may request or require a student to leave campus when their continued presence in the housing community poses a health or safety risk for community members. Residential students are required to comply with requests from the University to leave their assigned space due to COVID-19 or other public health emergencies. Failure to do so is a violation of the Student Code of Conduct and may subject a student to emergency removal from their assigned space.

Not all residential rooms or halls are appropriate for isolation or quarantine. In those situations where a student is informed they must isolate or quarantine, students may not be permitted to continue residing in their residential space and will be provided alternative housing arrangements as needed. Removal from a residence hall room to isolate or quarantine does not constitute a termination of a student’s housing contract.

Face Coverings
The virus that causes COVID-19 is thought to spread person-to-person mainly through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs, sneezes or talks. These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby or possibly be inhaled into the lungs. It is possible for a person to spread the virus even when they do not know they are infected (pre-symptomatic or asymptomatic). Cloth face coverings provide a layer of protection to help prevent respiratory droplets from traveling through the air and onto other people.

Face coverings must be worn by all members of the Bucknell community when in shared indoor spaces including classrooms, labs, hallways, offices, restrooms and common areas. Face coverings are also required outside when you are less than 6 feet away from others. Each Bucknell student will receive two face coverings upon arrival. It is recommended that each student provide their own face coverings as well.

If you have a medical condition that prevents you from wearing a face covering, you will be able to request an accommodation through the Office of Accessibility Resources in accordance with the University Disability Accommodation Policy for Students.

How to Put on a Face Covering
- Wash your hands before putting on your face covering.
- Put it over your nose and mouth and secure it under your chin.
- Try to fit it snugly against the sides of your face.
- Make sure you can breathe easily.

How to Remove a Face Covering
- Untie the strings behind your head or stretch the ear loops.
- Handle only by the ties or ear loops (don’t touch the front of the face covering).
- You are advised to wash cloth face coverings after each use. Disposable face coverings should be discarded daily.
- Be careful not to touch your eyes, nose or mouth when removing your face covering, and wash your hands immediately afterward.
Social Distancing
As noted in the Community Responsibility Agreement, physical distancing of at least 6 feet is expected in all spaces, when feasible. This includes classrooms, labs, hallways, offices, restrooms, common areas and outdoor spaces.

Cleaning
Bucknell’s Facilities Department has enhanced its cleaning and disinfecting protocols to meet the recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC), using Environmental Protection Agency-approved products that are effective against the COVID-19 virus. We will educate students on appropriate cleaning protocols to reduce the spread of COVID-19 within residence halls.

Here are some of the key steps we are taking to keep you healthy:

- Hand-sanitizing stations will be located at key areas within all campus buildings.
- High-touch areas, surfaces and objects across campus will be disinfected twice daily using EPA-approved products. Examples of high-touch areas include public/common spaces such as restrooms, lounges, lobbies and hallways. We will give extra attention to doorknobs, light switches, door handles, hand railings, bathroom stalls, sink handles, grab bars and water fountains.
- Each residence hall will have an assigned custodian who will focus on cleaning high-touch areas.
- Cleaning supplies will be available in communal bathrooms of each residence hall, and students are encouraged to take personal responsibility for disinfecting the space between regular custodial cleaning.
- Students who live in residential housing with individual bathrooms (Bucknell West, South Campus Apartments, Gateways and Roberts) should bring their own cleaning supplies and are encouraged to disinfect their bathrooms frequently.
- Each academic building will have an assigned custodian who will focus on cleaning high-touch common areas throughout the day. Classrooms will be disinfected daily.
- Cleaning supplies will be provided in classrooms, labs and conference rooms. Users will be asked to clean desks and high-touch areas after each class/lab/meeting.
- Adjustments to course time scheduling have been made to permit greater time for necessary cleaning and transitions between classes.
- In restrooms, custodians will disinfect toilets and toilet handles, urinals and urinal handles, sinks and sink faucets, paper/soap/feminine hygiene dispensers, floors, stall door handles, and restroom entrance handles and push plates. Paper dispensers will replace air hand dryers.

Mental Health
With all that is going on in our world — a global pandemic, social isolation and global experiences of racial injustice and oppression — we are especially mindful of the importance of fostering a Bucknell community that is kind, compassionate and caring. Now more than ever, we recognize the importance of paying attention to and taking care of our mental health. We can all play a role in creating a supportive and safe community.

Taking care of ourselves involves acknowledging feelings, practicing compassion for self and others, prioritizing meaningful and genuine connections, taking time to slow down, setting limits to media consumption, focusing on activities that spark joy, and keeping our bodies hydrated, nourished and moving daily.

We want to reassure you that feeling uncertain and uneasy or experiencing increased sadness, worry, loneliness, grief and pretty much any other emotion makes a lot of sense. It means you’re human and you’re not alone. However, if you find yourself unable to function or disconnecting from things that are usually important to you, we recommend checking in with a mental health professional at the Counseling & Student Development Center (CSDC).
Consultations and Resources

The CSDC will continue to use telehealth (two-way video) to provide mental health services including individual and group counseling, consultation and crisis management for students living on campus and in the Lewisburg area. Counselors will be available weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for phone consultations to discuss concerns and available support resources at the CSDC and within the campus community. Individuals are strongly encouraged to call the CSDC to speak with a counselor instead of walking into the center. All staff and students will be required to adhere to all recommended health guidelines during in-person meetings. Support remains available 24/7 for urgent mental health needs by calling 570-577-1604.

The CSDC website offers numerous resources for students, including information about caring for yourself and others, tolerating uncertainty, coping with grief and loss, self-compassion, recognizing a student in distress, and how to ask for help.

If You Think You Might Have COVID-19

It's important to pay attention to your health and monitor any changes. Symptoms of COVID-19 include:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

If you experience any of these symptoms before you come to campus, we ask that you remain at home until your symptoms have been resolved for at least 72 hours and you are cleared for COVID-19 by a medical professional. Tell your health-care professional about your recent travel or contact. Your health-care professional will work with your state’s public health department and CDC to determine if you need to be tested for COVID-19.

If your symptoms present when you are on campus, we ask that you isolate yourself to the greatest extent possible and notify your associate academic dean of your planned absence from on-campus or remote classes. Please do not attend events on or off campus.

Call ahead to Student Health at 570-577-1401 or contact another health-care professional if you develop a fever and symptoms of respiratory illness, such as cough or difficulty breathing. A staff member will ask you screening questions to determine whether testing is necessary. Do not go to Student Health.

Should Student Health decide that further screening for COVID-19 is necessary, Bucknell Public Safety will transport you to Evangelical Hospital, where medical professionals in consultation with the county department of health will determine if a COVID-19 test is warranted.

See CDC guidelines for further information on what to do if you get sick with COVID-19.
Housing

Living and learning together is a critical element of the residential experience. It will be important that all students exhibit care for fellow Bucknellians in all living spaces by taking ownership of your space — keeping it clean, holding one another accountable and following good health practices.

Housing Assignments

In order to provide adequate social distancing, all students living in traditional housing will be in a single- or double-occupancy room, eliminating triples and quads on campus. For those students residing in suite or apartment-style living (Roberts, Bucknell West, Gateways and South Campus Apartments), the housing arrangement will be maintained. Our Housing Services team is working to reduce capacity as much as possible while allowing for the least number of students to share a common restroom.

If your current room assignment will be impacted by these measures to reduce density in residential spaces, you will receive communication directly from Housing Services. All first-year students will be housed with their Foundation Seminar or Engineering 100 classmates. New room assignments were issued on July 31. All questions regarding room assignments, individual residence halls or rooms, or move-in should be directed to Housing Services. Please contact housing@bucknell.edu or 570-577-1195.

New Policies and Practices

To keep our residential community as healthy as possible, we are introducing new policies and practices for fall.

- **Face coverings.** Face coverings will be required to be worn everywhere within your residential space when you are outside of your individual room.

- **Common areas.** Instructions for cleaning will be posted within common areas of campus housing (community kitchens, lounges, etc.). Please follow guidelines before and after use of the space. All kitchen accessories should be kept in your room.

- **Visitor and guest policy.** During the fall semester, only Bucknell students in residence on campus will be allowed in campus housing. Students in residence may visit Bucknell students living in other residence halls, but will only have card access to their own campus residence. No outside visitors will be permitted in campus housing, including family members.
Move-in

To minimize health risk to our community, we have made a number of significant changes to fall semester arrival and move-in procedure. It will look and feel very different from previous years, and everyone’s cooperation will be crucial. Please review the following information carefully with your family.

**ARRIVAL DATES**

- **Wednesday, Aug. 12**: First-year students
- **Thursday, Aug. 13**: First-year students, sophomores, juniors, seniors, transfer students
- **Friday, Aug. 14**: First-year students, sophomores, juniors, seniors, transfer students
- **Saturday, Aug. 15**: Sophomores, juniors, seniors, transfer students
- **Sunday, Aug. 16**: Sophomores, juniors, seniors, transfer students
- **Tuesday, Aug. 18**: Students whose negative COVID test results arrive late
- **Wednesday, Aug. 19**: Students whose negative COVID test results arrive late

To ensure that all students can move into their residential space in a timely manner while maintaining social distance, **move-in will take place by appointment**. Please review the important instructions below as you plan your move.

(Note: Pre-Orientation participants and student leaders who are arriving earlier than the above dates will receive direct communication from their program coordinator about move-in times.)

**SCHEDULE YOUR ARRIVAL TIME**

To help everyone maintain as much social distance as possible during move-in, all students must sign up for an assigned two-hour appointment. Housing Services shared information and instructions to sign up for your move-in appointment via MyHOME in myBucknell. It is imperative that everyone is respectful of assigned times. Early arrivals will not be permitted. If you have extenuating circumstances and need to reschedule your appointment, please contact housing@bucknell.edu or 570-577-1195.

All students must have two negative COVID-19 tests to be permitted to move into their residence hall and/or attend in-person classes. If you have not received two negative test results, do not come to campus; you will not be permitted to move in. Instead, you may reschedule your move-in date to **Tuesday, Aug. 18, or Wednesday, Aug. 19**, in MyHOME. If you need to delay your arrival to campus beyond **Aug. 19** because you are waiting for two negative test results, please email deanofstudents@bucknell.edu.

Your cooperation and patience during move-in is essential. You will not be able to arrive any earlier than the date and time you scheduled. You will have up to 48 hours prior to your arrival to change your appointment. Due to the extensive check-in requirements this fall, we are not able to accommodate arrivals outside of scheduled times. Individuals who arrive outside of their appointment time will not be given access to their room.

**PACK AND PLAN**

Since this fall will be unlike any other, please limit the items you bring to campus in case the University must unexpectedly close for health and safety reasons related to the pandemic. We recommend bringing only the essentials. Please note that storage will not be available this year. Larger objects, such as furniture, will not be permitted in student rooms; if you bring these items to campus, we will require you to send them home. Please do not have large items shipped to campus.

While Bucknell Facilities has implemented enhanced cleaning practices throughout campus, we recommend bringing your own cleaning supplies, especially if you reside in an independent living area and spaces with private bathrooms (Bucknell West, South Campus Apartments, Gateways, Roberts, etc.).

**One guest per student** — For appropriate social distancing, each student may bring one guest into the residence hall to assist with move-in. This guest will receive a wristband. Other family members and friends are welcome to come to campus but are asked to remain outside the building. Please keep your family pets at home.
Upon arrival to campus, you will immediately check in at the “Move-In Hub” located in Smith Parking Lot. All students and guests must wear a face covering at all times. To ensure a smooth move-in for everyone, please observe your assigned time.

- At the Move-In Hub, you will immediately meet with a medical provider for symptom-checking and review of your COVID test results and vaccinations.
- You will electronically sign the **Community Responsibility Agreement**.
- You will receive a **wellness kit** containing two Bucknell face coverings, hand sanitizer and a thermometer.

- You will then receive your **room key**. Room keys will not be issued to any student who does not have a completed medical record or who has not signed the Community Responsibility Agreement.
- First-year and transfer students will receive their **Bucknell ID card (BUID)**. Government-issued identification (driver’s license, passport, etc.) will be required to pick up your BUID. If you are a returning student and you have lost your BUID, you will need to make an appointment with Card Services to obtain a new one. Appointments can be scheduled by emailing cardservices@bucknell.edu.
- Students and guests will receive **wristbands** indicating they are permitted to go to their campus housing and begin moving in. They will receive a parking pass that indicates the student’s name/building, which will expire at the end of the appointment time.

**Check-in for Off-campus Students**

Students who will be taking classes on campus but residing in off-campus housing will also need to check in with Bucknell Student Health before classes begin. These students should check in between **8 a.m. and 3 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 15**, in the Smith Parking Lot. Look for the blue tent that says “Off-campus Students.”

**Getting to Campus**

Airport shuttles will be available for transportation from regional airports to campus at the beginning of the semester. Arrival times will coincide with scheduled check-in times. Face coverings must be worn at all times on the shuttles. Please contact [Student Transportation Services](#) for details.
NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

14 DAYS TO 'ray!

Get ready for “14 Days to ‘ray!” — the official start of your Bucknell career. This Orientation program for our newest Bucknellians began on Aug. 3.

Orientation will be conducted both online and in person. First-year and transfer students will participate in online discussions with faculty, educational presenters and Orientation staff prior to arriving on campus. Orientation will culminate with in-person, small group gatherings beginning the evening of Aug. 14 and continuing through Aug. 16.

New students who are attending classes virtually this fall will not miss out. We have Orientation groups specifically for our remote students so they can participate and meet other first-year and transfer students.

Pre-Orientation

“Pre-O” programs for members of the Class of 2024 who registered will be held in the days prior to the beginning of first-year move-in on Aug. 12. Please note that dates and details have changed for some programs. Updated Pre-O information is as follows:

- Arts First: Aug. 11-14 (in person; early move-in required)*
- Backstage Bucknell (Engineering Success Alliance): Aug. 11-14 (now online; no need to move in early)
- BuckWild: Due to the remote nature of this wilderness experience, this program has been canceled for 2020.
- Design Thinking Leadership: Aug. 8-11 (now online; no need to move in early)
- First Stop: Independence!: Due to restrictions on travel and tourism, this program has been canceled for 2020.
- International Student Orientation: Aug. 11-14 (in person; early move-in required)**
- Ramp Up: Aug. 11-14 (now online; no need to move in early)

*Arts First participants received direct communication from their program director about move-in times.

**International students received detailed arrival information from International Student Services (ISS). Please contact ISS staff with specific questions about your situation.

CAMPUS ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

In keeping with Bucknell tradition, we are committed to offering students a full menu of activities and programs this fall. From our 200-plus clubs and organizations to our MakerSpaces to outdoor education activities, you’ll have a wide array of opportunities to suit your interests.

We will continue to host Activities Unlimited, our annual student club fair, in a virtual format followed by an in-person event. We are exploring ways to continue signature Bucknell events, such as Fall Fest, in a reimagined format.

In addition, we are planning more outdoor events spread out across campus. The climbing wall, outdoor equipment rental center and the new firepit on South Campus will all be available to students.

All student meetings, events and gatherings, whether organized or impromptu, will follow face covering, distancing and size guidelines.

Outside tents and seating will be made available for student social use throughout campus.
Greek Life

Fall formal recruitment will take place after the first week of classes with a change in format. The first two rounds of both Panhellenic and IFC recruitment will be conducted virtually. The final round will tentatively be held in person with health and safety measures in place. Specific dates and information will be announced closer to the start of classes. A chapter that fails to comply with these policies could jeopardize its status as a “recognized” fraternity or sorority.

IFC and Panhellenic, in coordination with the Office of Fraternity & Sorority Affairs, have been working on contingency plans to make the process as safe and meaningful as possible for all involved. We are working closely with the national umbrella councils and international/national headquarters as we plan for this new recruitment experience.

We are also in communication with our National Pan-Hellenic Council and Multicultural Greek Council chapters to provide support and advisement as they navigate the intake process. Additional information about that process will be available soon.

Travel and Campus Shuttles

All University vehicles, including buses and the Downtown Shuttle, will operate at reduced seating capacity to accommodate social distancing. We will operate additional shuttles to ensure availability of service to the Bucknell community. Passengers must wear face coverings at all times.

STUDENT EXPECTATIONS

Keeping the community healthy during the pandemic will take an ongoing commitment from all of us. We need everyone to do their part to keep the Bucknell campus and our neighbors safe. Please take a moment to review the COVID-19 and Public Health-Informed Conduct Policies below.

The health and safety of Bucknell University students, faculty and staff is a fundamental priority in our community. Our commitment to fostering an environment that demonstrates respect for the health and safety of self and others is highlighted in our Community Responsibility Agreement, and this commitment is essential during the COVID-19 pandemic. All students will be expected to follow official University, state and federal guidelines regarding on-campus and off-campus behaviors promoted to mitigate and/or contain the COVID-19 virus (e.g., physical distancing, face coverings, etc.). Additionally, all students are required to electronically sign our Community Responsibility Agreement upon arriving on campus. As the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic is fluid, students are expected to be attentive to ongoing updates from the University, as well as the state of Pennsylvania, and practice fidelity in response to this guidance and instruction.

Prohibited conduct in the Bucknell University Student Handbook of particular importance in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic includes the following:

- Engaging in conduct that threatens the health and safety of self and others.
- Failure to comply with University policy, agreements and/or the directions of university officials.

When the action of a student or student organization violates Bucknell’s expectations of community conduct, those actions are subject to a process of review and resolution by the Dean of Students Office. The procedures employed for the resolution of alleged conduct violations may be found in the Student Conduct Process section of the Bucknell University Student Handbook. Violations of these public health guidelines may lead to probation or suspension from the institution.

Please recognize that behavior both on and off campus is subject to being cited.
Personal Travel Restrictions
In the interest of respecting and protecting the health of our community members, students are strongly encouraged to limit their personal travel this fall.

Visitor and Guest Policy
During the fall semester, only Bucknell students in residence on campus will be allowed in campus housing. Students in residence may visit Bucknell students living in other residence halls, but will only have card access to their own campus residence. No outside visitors will be permitted in campus housing, including family members.

DINING 🍽️

When you enter University dining spaces this fall, you’ll notice some changes. Leveraging the expertise of food safety experts and remaining aligned with CDC guidelines, we have carefully developed policies and procedures to help ensure everyone’s health and safety. We have increased the frequency of our already proactive cleaning and sanitization practices, and all staff have taken refresher training on proper handwashing and glove usage, cleaning and sanitation processes, and team member health protocols.

What You Can Expect in Dining Areas
Please keep in mind that this is a starting point. As conditions and regulations allow, we will continue to enhance our dining services.

- We are posting reminders for social distancing when waiting in line, while at food serving stations, and while using the dining areas.
- We will offer a contactless payment via a mobile app on your phone. We will provide more detailed information as the semester approaches.
- All food will be served by a dining team member in to-go packaging. There will be no self service.
- All dining spaces across campus will offer the same menu for any given meal. This includes the Bison and Commons retail locations.
- At every lunch and dinner, there will be at least five entree selections, including vegan and gluten-free options. All food allergies and sensitivities will continue to be accommodated.
- We will use only disposable cutlery and pre-packaged condiments to reduce shared touchpoints.
- 7th Street Café and the Library Café will be open for simple coffee drinks (iced coffee and drip coffee) and prepackaged snacks.
- The Flying Bison will be parked on campus and offer simple coffee drinks and snacks during the day. We will also have the truck open on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday nights for late-night food, with social distancing and crowd control measures in place.
- The University is investing in additional outdoor seating for students to gather and eat meals.
- Catering will be available to student groups.

Meal Plans
All students who are residing on campus this fall must have a meal plan. For details, please visit the Dining Services website.
STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

Many Bucknell students rely on work-study positions and other student jobs. The following new policies have been enacted for Fall 2020:

- All student positions must be filled by students who are attending classes on campus.
- If you are studying remotely, you may not be a Bucknell student employee in the Fall 2020 semester.
- Students hired into positions this fall may not begin work until they have physically returned to campus.

Open positions will be posted on Handshake (login required), and you’ll find other resources in myBucknell (login required). If you have questions, please email student.employment@bucknell.edu or call 570-577-3335.

FITNESS AND RECREATION

Although some adjustments will need to be made this fall due to the pandemic, students will have access to group and individual fitness activities, intramurals and limited club sports. Bucknell staff are ensuring opportunities for student fitness and recreation by creating in-person and virtual fitness and wellness experiences, and using outdoor spaces for activities.

The Kenneth G. Langone Athletics & Recreation Center (KLARC) will open for the fall semester under new, limited operating parameters and is committed to providing wellness facilities, programs and services in a safe and convenient manner. Our reopening plan prioritizes the health and well-being of our patrons and staff, taking into account guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) and recommendations from the Pennsylvania Department of Health and local government authorities.

For everyone’s health and safety, we ask that students, faculty and staff follow directional signage, staff instructions and the new operating changes that prioritize physical distancing and sanitation.

KLARC Operations

This fall, all users will be required to scan in and out at the front entrance monitor station using a valid BUID and go directly to their workout venue. The new web portal at klarc.bucknell.edu allows users to make reservations for certain facilities within the KLARC in advance. A new app to support the web portal will also be available soon. Consistent with the University’s Facemask Policy, face coverings will be required upon entry and must be worn at all times except when an individual is participating in a water-based activity. All users are responsible for bringing their own face coverings, full water bottles, and sweat cloth or towel. We encourage users to arrive dressed for physical activity and not bring personal belongings to the KLARC. General locker rooms will be open for restroom use (except for Kinney Natatorium). Facility signage will remind all users to wash or sanitize hands before, during and after exercise and strength equipment use. Cleaning supplies will also be provided throughout the facility.

Hours and Capacity

We anticipate that the hours of operation and access will be limited, based on sanitation schedules, capacity limits, and group fitness and programming schedules. Users should expect wait times and new touchless entry methods. Cardio and pin-select strength equipment and free weights have been carefully spaced. Users are asked not to move equipment, and to thoroughly clean with the provided cleaning supplies before and after use. Once the workout is finished, users are asked to check out and exit the facility immediately through the main entry doors. For updated KLARC hours or information, please call (570) 577-1078 or visit the website.

Fitness Offerings

Traditional offerings and activities in the KLARC may be modified, require reservations or be suspended based on space limitations, type of activity, physical distancing or cleaning needs. The University is pursuing technology that will provide the opportunity for virtual participation in residences as well as other esport offerings. For a full listing of group fitness and intramural activities, please visit the Bison Rec website.
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