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# SAFE RETURN TO CAMPUS

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July 10, 2020

To the Kettering Community:

All of us at Kettering University are excited to welcome our students, staff and faculty back to campus for the summer term and the start of a new academic year. We have been preparing together for this moment for months, and we have developed a comprehensive plan for reopening the university safely. This plan, and our safety guidelines for reopening, are outlined in the [“Safe Return to Campus Playbook”](#) posted on the Kettering website. If you have not read it, I ask that you do so now. It contains important information that you will need to know before you return to campus as well as descriptions of what you can expect when you do.

Ultimately though - and this is important - no plan can ensure our safety as a community, unless we each take personal responsibility to act sensibly. Our actions, and the respect that we demonstrate for each other through them, are what will determine how successful we are.

**Our success in reopening safely will depend critically upon the individual actions taken by all of us each and every day**, and our individual commitment to act responsibly at all times in the face of the pandemic. This also means we have to carry the same behaviors into our lives off campus that we observe on it.

We are not alone and our actions during the pandemic can and do significantly impact others. They can either jeopardize, or help ensure, the safety of those around us. This means we must commit to wearing masks, observing social guidelines and distancing, and behaving on and off campus in ways that limit the exposure and spread of the coronavirus – not just for us, but for those around us. It means adapting; it means that group activities that you may have traditionally participated in may need to be rethought, and in some cases postponed. Why? Because one careless event can change the course of the pandemic in our community, and that will impact all of us.

Do we wish that things were as they were a year ago? Yes, of course we do, but they are not. Things will return to normal eventually, but until then, our ability to assemble as a University community will be impacted by the course of the pandemic around us, and by our individual behaviors as members of this community - and the expectations we set of each other.

This spirit is captured best in a truism that I saw recently, and that you will see appear frequently across campus:

*My mask protects you, and your mask protects me.*

It is up to all of us to live our values as a community and to take personal responsibility to reduce the risk to those in our community. It is essential that we all comply with the outlined guidelines and critical safety measures we have put into place. While on campus, **everyone** will be **required** to follow specific guidelines and critical safety practices at all times — mask wearing, social distancing, proper hygiene and self-monitoring for symptoms.

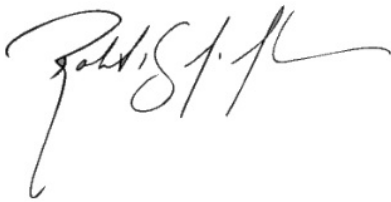
We know that the situation will continue to evolve. We have listened to you during the pandemic and our planning has been guided by your feedback. We have created options for students who aren't comfortable living or learning on campus to continue to do so virtually. We have empowered our employees who can work remotely to do so if they are still able to provide exceptional support for our students and campus community. We are ready to alter our operations further if required.

I encourage everyone to stay updated and informed by regularly checking your email, visiting the University's [website](#) and [my.kettering.edu](http://my.kettering.edu), and signing up for [Kettering Alerts](#).

We are all in this together, and I know that through all of this we are going to have a great year.

Welcome back, Bulldogs!

Dr. Robert K. McMahan  
*President and Professor of Physics*



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### **Return to Campus Kit pick-up**

Everyone will receive one Return-to-Campus kit that includes two washable Bulldog face masks, hand sanitizer, a no-touch tool, a lanyard with ID holder, and a forehead thermometer.

- Thompson Hall residents will receive theirs during check-in this weekend at Move-in (instructions and agenda for Move-in have been emailed directly)
- Off-campus residents can pick theirs up from 1 to 4 p.m. Monday (July 13) and Tuesday (July 14) outside the main Campus Center entrance.
- Employees' kits have been delivered to their offices and/or departments.

### **Daily health check and entrances:**

Everyone must wear a face mask and Kettering ID while on campus (Return to Campus kits that everyone receives will include a lanyard and ID holder). Additionally, everyone returning to campus will be required to take your temperature and answer health questions each day which can be accessed online via a smartphone/tablet app at [safereturn.kettering.edu](http://safereturn.kettering.edu). Based on your answers to the questions, you will receive approval to come to campus (indicated by "green" color screen with approval message) or be directed to stay home or stay in your residence room and contact the Wellness Center (indicated by "red" screen with message to call Wellness Center).

You will then show your smartphone/tablet screen at the designated entrance to be allowed on campus (please see below for entrances as others will be deactivated).

To make it more accessible, you can bookmark the link or add the app to your mobile device's home screen. You can also find a direct link on the home page of [my.kettering.edu](http://my.kettering.edu).

#### *How to Create a Website Link on your iPhone Home Screen*

- Launch Safari on your iPhone or iPad
- Navigate to the site where you want to create a Home screen shortcut ([safereturn.kettering.edu/](http://safereturn.kettering.edu/)).
- Tap the Share icon (the square with an arrow pointing out of it) at the bottom of the screen
- Scroll down to the list of actions and tap Add to Home Screen. (If you don't see the

action, scroll to the bottom and tap Edit Actions, then tap Add next to the Add to Home Screen action. After that, you'll be able to select it from the Share Sheet.)

#### *How to add a link to your Android device*

- Open the Safe Return to Campus web page by clicking [safereturn.kettering.edu/](https://safereturn.kettering.edu/).
- Tap the menu icon (3 dots in the upper right-hand corner) and tap Add to Home screen.
- You'll be able to enter a name for the shortcut and then automatically add it to your home screen.

If you do not have a smartphone, contact the HR Office at (810) 762-9933 for instructions about how to complete the daily health screening process.

Designated building entrances will be accessible only with Kettering ID from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday. Additionally, the main front entrances to the AB and the Campus Center will be accessible from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

- AB: Use northeast ground floor entrance (near FIRST Robotics area)
- Campus Center: Use southwest ground floor entrance (“pizza doors”)
- Mott Center: Use main entrance on north side of building
- The tunnel between Campus Center and AB will be available for use.

#### **[Playbook for Our Safe Return to Campus Updates](#)**

Updates have been made to the Playbook for Our Safe Return at [kettering.edu/return2campus](https://kettering.edu/return2campus). You can download a [pdf](#) of the entire Playbook or search for specific topics on the web page. Information specific to students and/or employees also has been emailed directly to them. The following sections of the Playbook have been updated this past week:

- [Thompson Hall Move-In instructions](#) for arrival, picking up Return to Campus kit, screening, testing and more
- [Contact email for requesting cleaning services](#)
- [Recreation Center](#) facilities, services and events to be held outdoors
- [Guidelines for Student Organization/Club Meetings](#)
- Additional testing availability for [employees](#) and [off-campus residents](#)
- Testing requirements for [on-campus Co-op student employees](#).

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