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The COVID-19 Response Team and University leadership continue to closely monitor the local, state and national situation in consultation with health experts and in accordance with government guidelines. If conditions change, the University will alter plans to ensure the safety of the campus community.

Fall Term 2020 classes begin on October 5. As the University's COVID-19 Response Team continues to finalize details for the fall, please carefully review these updates.

What You Need To Do Now

All incoming students regardless of living arrangements are asked to practice enhanced social distancing for two weeks prior to arrival on campus.

The enhanced social distancing period has begun for all students enrolled in the fall, including incoming residents of Thompson Hall and all students residing off-campus, regardless of group affiliation or residence.

Steps to be taken include:
- Monitor your health for any symptoms of COVID-19 as defined by the Center for Disease Control including fever, cough, trouble breathing or other symptoms. Full list of symptoms can be found **here**. If you are symptomatic or have had a positive COVID-19 test within 14 days of your scheduled arrival on campus, you should delay your travel plans and contact the Wellness Center for further directions.
- Self-report and seek medical attention immediately if symptomatic.
- Wear a face mask at all times when in public.
- Minimize contacts outside your home, self-quarantine to the greatest degree possible.
- Maintain six feet of distance from others when outside.
- Avoid all gatherings of groups outside of your home.
- Avoid all forms of public transportation.

In addition to these precautions, students or employees who have traveled internationally or those arriving from states with more than 10% COVID-19 positive testing rate on a seven-day rolling average, will be required to self-isolate for a minimum of seven (7) days before arriving on campus. You should use the John Hopkins University Coronavirus Resource Center through its website link "**Testing Trends Tool**" to determine the status of the state from which you will be traveling.

What You Are Required To Do While On Campus

By entering campus, you agree to comply with all Safe Return practices.

- Everyone is required to follow specific critical safety guidelines and practices at all times including:
    - Wear a face mask (covering nose and mouth).
    - Visibly display your Kettering ID on you at all times.
    - Practice social distancing.
    - Self-monitor for symptoms.
    - Take your temperature and answer health questions each day you will be on campus at: **safereturn.kettering.edu**. Everyone should bookmark this site on your phone or tablet for easy access (log in is required).

Extended Hours For COVID-19 Testing Dates

Hours have been extended to accommodate employees and students needing free COVID-19 testing. All testing is free and will be conducted in the Campus Center building's Abbey Room (second floor).

Sign-up is required for all dates <u>except</u> for Saturday, October 3 and Sunday, October 4 when Thompson Hall residents and new students will be tested during move-in. For all other dates, employees and students should use this link to schedule an appointment: **COVID-19Test Registration App.**

Updated testing availability:
- **Monday, September 28**: Employees and any student wanting to be tested (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.)
- **Tuesday, September 29**: Employees and any student wanting to be tested (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.).
- **Thursday, October 1**: Employees and any student wanting to be tested (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.).
- **Friday, October 2**: Employees and any student wanting to be tested (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.).
- **Monday, October 5 and Tuesday, October 6** – Optional, yet strongly recommended, testing for any returning students (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.).

Employees (which includes full-time, part-time, casual and Kettering University student workers), residential students of Thompson Hall and new students are required to undergo free COVID-19 testing on campus before the beginning of Fall Term 2020. Off-campus residents (including Greek Life) and returning students are strongly encouraged to also be tested.

Testing is also required of previously tested faculty and staff on campus for Summer Term who will be on campus during Fall Term.

Stay Informed, Stay Safe

To ensure our community stays safe and is informed with the latest information, everyone is expected to:
- Read all emails from the University as well as the campus-wide e-newsletter Bulldog Weekly (sent on Tuesdays to all students, staff and faculty).
- Review the Fall Term 2020 Playbook now available online in a **downloadable .pdf** form as well as searchable sections on the University's **website**. The Playbook is a living document and is revised frequently, so please review it regularly for changes.
- Sign up for **Kettering Alerts**.
- Practice safe measures (by wearing your mask at ALL times while on campus and social distancing) whether on or off campus.
- Be open and truthful when completing your daily health screening.

- Do not come to campus if you experience even one of the CDC identified symptoms of COVID-19 (you can find the list **here**).

Questions? Email **welcomebackbulldogs@kettering.edu**

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