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FROM THE STAFF

With newly released guidance from the university regarding the Protect Purdue Plan, this newsletter provides specific information from the plan and how it relates to the experience you provide.

We recently released the considerations for housing for all facets of fraternity, sorority and cooperative life and it can be viewed on the homepage of our website.

If you have questions or need assistance in building plans for your facility, please reach out to Spencer (mshudec@purdue.edu) or Brandon (bcutler@purdue.edu) regarding scheduling a strategy meeting.

WHAT PROTECT PURDUE MEANS FOR YOU

On June 12, Purdue released the Protect Purdue Plan, a 23 page comprehensive report that details how a strategic 8 point approach will get students back on campus and classes in session as safely as possible.

Components of this report regarding expectations to adhere to a Protect Purdue Pledge and changes to housing models will be important as you continue to plan for the Fall 2020 experience of your residents. We’ve outlined specific areas of information, and cited from within the plan, on the next page. Additional information about the plan in an FAQ format can be found at protect.purdue.edu.

SUPPLY CHAIN ASSISTANCE

Purdue University has agreed to assist with the securing of disposable face masks, disinfectant wipes, and hand sanitizer for housed organizations. We anticipate that we will have a process for placing orders in the next few weeks. How much you would like to purchase may be depended on:

1. hand sanitation stations/sanitizer (near entrance/exits and high touch areas)
2. cleaning supplies (disinfectant and cleaning spray, paper towels, wipes–if possible)
3. hand soap
4. Facemasks – for guests

If you would like to be included on this supply chain order and have not already done so, please let FSCL know as soon as possible by filling out this form.
The Protect Purdue plan has been released and provides 8 key points which are broken down further within the plan’s 23 pages.

**TO PROTECT THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE PURDUE COMMUNITY, WE WILL:**

1. Expect each Boilermaker to assume personal responsibility to Protect Purdue — myself, others, our Purdue community.
2. Implement personal health safety practices and protocols.
3. Enact health safety changes in physical spaces.
4. Offer a range of instructional options for students and faculty.
5. Identify and protect the most vulnerable members of the Purdue community.
6. Engage our stakeholders with consistent, compelling and timely communication and clear guidance.
7. Advance our research mission in a safe and responsible way.
8. Anticipate and plan for contingencies.

The pledge to Protect Purdue seen above in point one and at bottom left on page one, are simplified versions, “Protocols include wearing a face mask in most indoor settings, and outdoors if social distancing cannot be maintained” (p.9).

“Before arriving, students will be given prep materials orienting them to campus, including new COVID-19-related expectations, such as possible required health screenings and/or COVID-19 testing.” (p.9). Organizations may consider adding the Protect Purdue Pledge as an addendum to housing expectations and contracts.

The Protect Purdue Plan also states that it will “Ensure living spaces in residence halls address physical distancing protocols. Proper social distancing in residence halls, new cleaning and sanitation protocols, revised room assignment plans — particularly for those with health considerations — and overall enhanced hygiene practices will be enacted.
- Residential spaces in Purdue residence halls will either have:
  - Enough square footage per person (at least 113 square feet) to allow for a radius of 6 feet per person.
  - Bed placement that will allow for at least 10 feet head-to-head, when measured 1 foot from the headboard.
- Following these guidelines, the number of residential spaces in Purdue residence halls will be reduced by approximately 838.”

Organizations should encourage opposite placement of head and feet for beds that are in the same room. Where possible, reduce the density of cold air dorms or sleeping porches by utilizing dressing/study rooms as a residential space. Additional options include converting common areas (hang out rooms, etc.) into sleeping areas. Confirm with WLFD that an area meets the fire inspection requirements before finalizing a plan.

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"BE STRONG", I WHISPERED TO MY WIFI...

As you prepare to reopen your facilities for the fall, don’t forget to consider increasing your internet package. Whether it’s paying for larger bandwidth that can accommodate more devices, adding wifi extenders around the facility, or a combination of these and more, plan for unprecedented usage.

With most students engaging in a hybrid model of classes including some in-person and online, you’ll need to plan not only for usage but for higher than normal levels of streaming.

Organizations will need the ability to host virtual meetings with the ability for each live-in member to "call in".
“Being a part of the Boilermaker community means that each of us must take extraordinary steps to stay well and persistently protect each other. Therefore, I will take responsibility for my own health and help keep the Purdue community safe by stopping the spread of COVID-19 and other infections as identified and instructed by the university.” - Protect Purdue Pledge

The Purdue Cooperative Council, as well as Purdue University as a whole, is working hard to identify and address potential safety problems with the reintroduction of students on campus in August. As a Cooperative community, we are fully committed to the Protect Purdue Pledge and any and all steps and adjustments in operations that will be necessary to ensure the safety of our members and the campus community. While we still want to encourage community and facilitate the togetherness and unity that is the heart of the cooperative living experience, we know we must alter the way we go about it to prioritize safety and wellbeing. As a result of these adjustments to our operations, all large scale events and activities (as defined by University and health officials) will be cancelled until a time when medical and scientific advances warrant their return. This decision does not come lightly. However, it is one that will ensure a more safe environment for our members, our community, and those we love.

As the Purdue Cooperative Council, we do not take this responsibility lightly, and are committed to our role in protecting ourselves and those around us. We expect all of our members to keep and promote the Protect Purdue Pledge, and to prioritize the safety and well-being of the community over our traditions. As a community of leaders, we expect each and every member to hold their organizations and the cooperative community accountable.

Following the COVID-19 policies is critical to protecting the health and safety of all members. Cooperation also ensures that houses stay in good standing with the Purdue Cooperative Council and Purdue University.

We are working hard to find ways to supplement the community experience during this time, and will continue to invest time and resources into building relationships, creating connections and developing the cooperative experience at Purdue University. We will continue to update the community as we get information. Members should refer to Purdue’s policy updates as a resource for any immediate questions.
"Being a part of the Boilermaker community means that each of us must take extraordinary steps to stay well and persistently protect each other on campus and in the community. Accountable together, I pledge to take responsibility for my own health, the protection of others and help keep the Purdue community safe from spread of COVID-19 and other infections as identified and instructed by the university." - Protect Purdue Pledge

The Purdue Multicultural Greek Council, its organizations, and its members, are committed to keeping the health and safety of our students our first priority. These past few months have been scary, uncertain, and unprecedented, so we must move forward as a community with careful thought and planning. Like the Protect Purdue Pledge above, we pledge to protect ourselves, others, and the Purdue community.

While connectedness, communication, and unity are values we hold strongly, it is more important to MGC that our students are healthy and safe first. This why why large scale events greater than 150 students (as mandated by the official statement from Purdue) will be cancelled for Fall 2020, and smaller social events will follow social distancing rules and all participants will be required to wear a mask--until there is new information and scientific findings that allow us to return to normal activities. Meanwhile, MGC will dedicate time and resources to ensuring that students, new and old, will have innovative opportunities for developing social interactions, communities, and well-being.

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The Purdue Panhellenic Association, its members, and organizations are committed to the values outlined in the Protect Purdue Pledge and are committed to all necessary steps which may be required of us to effectively adjust our standard operating procedures to better meet the needs of our current situation. Our community has had a long tradition of self-governance and prioritizing the health and wellness of our members; We see this Fall as yet another opportunity to demonstrate our leadership, value and resilience to our members and the community at large. The Panhellenic community is committed to our part to overcome these challenges. As a result of these adjustments to our operations, all large-scale events and activities (as defined by University and health officials) will be cancelled until a time when medical and scientific advances warrant their return. Furthermore, we commit to redirecting our efforts and energy to identify innovative opportunities for engagement, socializing and organization operations to advance the community and secure a vibrant future.

The Purdue Panhellenic Association expects all of our members keep and promote the Protect Purdue Pledge, by prioritizing the safety and wellbeing of the women of our community. We expect each and every member to hold their organizations and the entire Panhellenic Association accountable now more than ever. We want to ensure all of our 21 Panhellenic organizations will continue to stay in good standing with Purdue University. The Panhellenic Board along with the entire Fraternity, Sorority, and Cooperative Life office will continue to update the community as we receive and learn more information.
COMMUNICATING YOUR PLAN

As mentioned previously, communicating with your residents and their parents is incredibly important. Purdue is leading the way in transparent communication regarding the plans to return to campus, information has been made available via email and through the protect.purdue.edu website.

As we near the deadline for students to indicate whether or not they will return to campus for in person classes or take classes remotely for the semester, students and their parents are wondering what the plan is for their organization’s house. We encourage you to reach out with as much information as you have available for students. This will help residents feel more comfortable with their commitment to return, with the knowledge that their organization has a plan.

Some groups include expectations to uphold the Protect Purdue Plan/Pledge in the facility, have shared new sleeping arrangements/room assignments as they de-densify spaces, and others are working to schedule a town hall meeting with residents via zoom.

If you are still in the process of creating a plan and would like to discuss options please reach out to either Spencer Hudec (mshudec@purdue.edu) or Brandon Cutler (bcutler@purdue.edu).

RETHINKING HOW WE USE OUR FACILITIES

As we adapt to social distancing in our living environment, we’ll need to rethink how we’ve used our facilities in the past and what that might need to look like moving forward.

- Chapter/House Meeting: Meeting spaces may not meet social distancing requirements for the desired occupancy, how will you use virtual platforms like zoom, webex, google hangout to conduct organization business?
- Small group gatherings: When complying with guidelines for social distancing in small groups, be sure to clean the space after use. Masks should be worn throughout the activity to minimize exposure.

SPOTLIGHT ON COMMON SPACES

- Maintain at least 6 feet between workstations
- Place appropriate signage at entrances indicating how to proceed.
- Remove additional chairs and desks to ensure proper physical distancing in conference and waiting rooms.
- Identify allowable occupancy in order to control workflow and/or establish maximum attendance.
- Provide sanitizing supplies for individuals to clean their areas before and after use.
- Enhanced cleaning in all common areas and high-touch surfaces, consistent with enhanced cleaning practices of other non-residential areas such as academic buildings. Custodial workers should be provided appropriate PPE and training consistent with their duties. See [CDC guidelines for cleaning and disinfecting facilities](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/clean-disinfect.html).

THINK TANK & WEBINAR RESOURCES

The North-American Interfraternity Conference has created a page full of information, short webinars and videos that cover a variety of topics that may be helpful to you, regardless of your council affiliation. Check them out here.

Pennington & Co. recently hosted Dr. Lori Hart for a Webinar “What’s the Plan? Resources, Advice, and Expert Information to Prepare for Fall Semester” with Dr. Lori Hart! Access it in the Pennington & Co. [Webinar Library](https://penningtonandco.com/webinars) in case you missed it live.

Additional resources are available from Holmes Murphy, a leading insurance provider, via their website. Including great information on COVID-19.

FACILITY SERVICES

Looking to pursue new services or change existing ones in the following areas? Feel free to contact FSCL.
- Food/Catering Services
- Cleaning Services
- Property Management Services