

OKWU Return Spring 2021 Plan:

Residential and Traditional Student

Campus Return Spring 2021

Note: Following recommendations from federal, state, and local health officials, OKWU will update the campus community as changes occur.

- Please review the following guidelines to support the health and wellbeing of our campus community.

Clean and Disinfect Instructions:

- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces; these include tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, and sinks.
- If surfaces are dirty, clean them. Use detergent or soap and water before disinfection. Then, use a household disinfectant. The recommended use of disinfectant is to spray it on and leave it for 20 minutes.

Everyone Should:

- Be willing to submit to COVID-19 testing, preventative medical checks (i.e., taking temperature, etc.), self-reporting requirements, and isolation/quarantine enforcement put in place by Oklahoma Wesleyan University.
- Every building on campus is equipped with a thermometer. If you have any concerns, we recommend that you use this self-assessment tool <https://www.mayoclinic.org/covid-19-self-assessment-tool> and contact your physician for guidance.
- Wear face-cover over your mouth/nose when meeting with others in the same room or location.
- Refrain from physical contact. No handshakes, hugs, high fives, fist bumps, or elbow bumps should be given or received by anyone until further notice.
- Use and immediately dispose of provided paper goods when opening/closing/touching all doors.
- Open all internal doorways during regular hours of operations, when possible and practical.
- Wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after being in a public place or after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. Praying the Lord's Prayer while washing your hands is a great idea.
- Use hand sanitizer as much as possible. Cover all surfaces of your hands and rub them together until they feel dry.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Put at least 6 feet of distance between yourself and other people.

Masks

- All employees should bring a reusable mask to work and keep the mask with them while at the office.
- "Wear face cover over your mouth/nose when meeting with others in the same room or location."
- While on campus, where two or more are gathered, please wear a mask. Keep a mask on your person at all times, and when meeting with others, wear a mask.

- Face masks are not required in residence hall rooms unless non-resident guests are present.

Testing, Tracing, Isolation, Quarantine, and Follow-Up

- OKWU will communicate with individuals who have come into contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 in compliance with federal and state privacy requirements, as well as OKWU policies.
- OKWU Student Development staff will conduct contact tracing and utilize the CDC's contact tracing recommendations for OKWU.
- Students isolating at their OKWU home will receive follow-up checks, academic support, the transition to online class access (if necessary), food delivery, and family contact as appropriate.
- Students quarantining will be able to go to class with masks inside and outside the classroom and buildings, will need to keep hand sanitizer with them at all times, and wash hands frequently. Meals will be eaten in their rooms and will check symptoms twice a day.
- The Washington County Health Department will provide testing to students by appointment.

Isolation/Quarantine:

- Any student, faculty, or staff who have been sick with COVID-19 symptoms, tested positive for COVID-19, or have been potentially exposed to someone with COVID-19 (either through community-related exposure or international travel) should follow CDC guidance to self-isolate before coming to campus.
- International students traveling from a country with widespread, ongoing transmission should self-isolate ten days after arrival and maintain a distance of at least 6 feet from others.
- International students traveling from a country with ongoing community transmission should practice Physical distancing, be alert for symptoms, and follow CDC guidance if symptoms develop.

Expanded Definitions:

- Close contact refers to someone who was within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes without a mask starting 48 hours before illness onset until the time the patient is isolated. If the infected person is asymptomatic, close contact is reviewed 48 hours before specimen collection.
- Students in confirmed close contact with an infected person will isolate at home or at their OKWU home in one of the on-campus isolation rooms for ten days (on day six after exposure, students may elect to get tested and, if negative, be released on day 7). If isolated on campus, students will have food delivered to the isolation room, have twice daily symptom checks, and have online class access. Students in isolation will contact their physician or the local health department for testing options.
- Students who have potential contact (possible contact with an infected person for 15 minutes without a mask) will need to quarantine. If quarantining on campus, students will be able to go to class with masks inside and outside the classroom and buildings, will need to keep hand sanitizer with them at all times, and wash hands frequently. Meals will be eaten in their rooms and will check symptoms twice a day. Students who have potential contact and wish to move to isolation are encouraged to do so.
- **Isolation** separates sick people with a contagious disease from people who are not ill.

- **Quarantine** restricts the movement of people who were potentially exposed to a contagious disease to see if they become sick.

Academics

- OKWU's traditional on-campus instruction begins on Tuesday, January 19th.
- OKWU students will resume a typical Spring schedule with Easter and Spring break included.
 - March 15-19 – Spring Break
 - April 2-5 – Easter Break
 - May 3-6 – Finals Week
 - May 8th – Graduation Day

Classroom Guidelines:

- Students are required to wear face coverings in all classes.
- Professors will wear a plexiglass faceguard or mask during instruction.
- Students are required to keep an empty seat between themselves and the nearest classmate.

Chapel

- Due to the need for physical distancing, there will be two Chapel sections (Wednesday and Friday) with limited seating. Chapel sections will remain open until full.
- Students will scan their ID for in-person chapel attendance. Students have the option of registering for Wednesday Chapel or Friday Chapel, and all chapels are available on YouTube.
- For students registered for Wednesday chapel, they will attend Chapel in-person at 10:10 am every Wednesday. There will be fourteen opportunities for in-person chapel attendance, and 11 are required to pass. (Students enrolled in Wednesday chapel are encouraged to watch Friday chapel services on YouTube.)
- For students registered for Friday chapel, they will attend Chapel in-person at 10:10 am every Friday. There will be fourteen opportunities for in-person chapel attendance, and 11 are required to pass. (Students enrolled in Friday chapel are encouraged to watch Wednesday chapel services on YouTube.)
- Students are required to wear face coverings during chapel.
- Students are required to keep an empty seat between themselves and the nearest classmate.

Residential Life

- Returning student Move-in is Sunday, January 17th starting at noon (or you can move in any time Monday, January 18th). If you are a returner moving in between 2–4 pm, please do not park in the circle.
- New Student Move-in is Sunday, January 17th from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm
- Contact Megan Young (myoung@okwu.edu), director of Residential Life, if you have any questions regarding move-in.
- Those assisting students with move-in will need to wear a mask.
- Students will complete a self-assessment before moving into the residence halls.
- Hand sanitizer stations are located at entrances, exits, lobbies, and laundry rooms.
- Visitation in residence halls is open for the regular visitation outlined in the Student handbook.
- All live-in Residential Life Staff are trained on public health measures and signs of COVID-19.

Residential Cleaning:

- Student leaders (RA's and SM's) will help maintain common areas.
- B&G will clean bathrooms twice a day.
- Shower stalls and sinks will have spray bottle cleaners available for student use.
- Residential Assistants will walk through bathrooms at least once a day to monitor cleanliness.
- Residential Assistants will conduct room checks twice a month

OKWU Houses:

- Res Life will conduct walk-throughs to ensure cleanliness.
- Graduate assistants and students are responsible for cleaning and maintaining their areas.
- Cleaning supplies for individual bedrooms are available for residents.

Recommended Items to Pack:

- Students are required to wear a mask around campus and should pack a minimum of two reusable and washable masks.
- Public sanitizing stations are available; however, students should pack personal hand sanitizer.
- Every student will need to bring hand soap for the bathroom and kitchen areas.
- Bring cleaning supplies for washing masks. To clean masks by hand, soak the face-covering in bleach solution for 5 minutes, and rinse thoroughly with cold or room temperature water.

Bathroom Protocols:

- Residents should minimize the time in all shared bathrooms.
- Don't store personal items in shared bathrooms.
- B&G will clean bathrooms twice daily.
- Sinks and showers will have spray bottle cleaners available for students to wipe sinks, faucet handles, and soap dispensers before and after use.

Residential Quarantine and Isolation

- Residential Assistants will monitor self-assessment checks for all residents once a week.
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- Students who have potential contact (possible contact with an infected person for 15 minutes without a mask) will need to quarantine. If quarantining on campus, students will be able to go to class with masks inside and outside the classroom and buildings, will need to keep hand sanitizer with them at all times, and wash hands frequently. Meals will be eaten in their rooms and will check symptoms twice a day. Students who have potential contact and wish to move to isolation or self-quarantine are encouraged to do so.
- **Isolation** separates sick people with a contagious disease from people who are not ill.

- **Quarantine** restricts the movement of people who were potentially exposed to a contagious disease to see if they become sick.
- If a student is sick and believes they have COVID-19, the student needs to contact their physician or the local health department for testing options. Students with suspected COVID-19 need to remain isolated until after 24 hours with no fever and no symptoms, as well as ten days since symptoms first appeared.
- If a student tests positive for COVID-19 but does not have symptoms, the student needs to stay home or isolate until after ten days have passed since the positive test and 24 hours with no fever.
- Athletes will continue to be withheld from athletic activities until they receive either a release from a healthcare professional or a negative PCR test.

Dining

- Pioneer will provide Grab and Go options.
- Masks are required to enter the dining common. Students may remove masks once seated to dine and must put back on when leaving the dining commons.
- Pioneer staff will sanitize seating areas between users.
- OKWU and Pioneer are committed to adapting our operations to ensure students have safe access to dining options.
- Pioneer staff is required to wear face masks and gloves while working and interacting with the public.
- Pioneer will have a certified safe food handling manager available for every shift.
- All Pioneer employees will pass a pre-shift health check and practice proper hand hygiene standards and respiratory etiquette.
- Hand sanitizing stations will be available to all guests and employees.
- All serving and dining areas will be regularly cleaned and sanitized throughout the day, as needed, before and during meals, and routinely after each meal.
- Place settings (plates, bowls, cups, etc.), utensils, and all serving vessels will either be single-use or will be appropriately cleaned and sanitized after each use.
- No outside containers are allowed!
- Anyone wanting a refill must get a new cup. Please don't take a used cup to the drink machine for a refill.

Athletics

- Oklahoma Wesleyan Athletics will continue to play in Spring.
- OKWU will screen all participants before every practice and team activity. Screening includes temperature checks and self-assessment.
- For competition, all game-day participants (student-athletes, coaches, support staff, officials, etc.) must be screened within six hours of the beginning of the contest. All screening must be done by an athletic trainer or a designated healthcare professional.
- OKWU's workout facility will implement a cleaning and disinfecting plan for equipment.

AGS / GPS Students

Graduate & Professional Studies

- Students, faculty, and staff members are required to wear a mask both in the classroom and in the offices at all times when others are present. Keep a mask on your person at all times, and when meeting with others, wear a mask.
- Physical distance seating changes will be implemented within each classroom to ensure students are appropriately distanced from each other.
- Public sanitizing stations will be available; however, students should bring personal hand sanitizer.
- Faculty should bring a personal set of whiteboard markers and erasers.
- Shared meals will not take place. Food may be brought for individual consumption only. Please do not share food or bring food for sharing.

Events and Dining Commons Addendum

Reopen Plan Addendum 8/8/2020

- Until further notice, OKWU will no longer host any non-OKWU events taking place inside of the OKWU Campus buildings. We will review non-OKWU event requests taking place outside.
- The Dining Commons is not open to any person without an OKWU ID card. Family members of OKWU employees/students may eat when accompanied by the employee/student.
- OKWU Event visitors wishing to eat in the Dining Commons must accompany an employee/student carrying an OKWU ID or be placed on a pass list by the host of the OKWU event.
- OKWU Events will follow current OKWU COVID protocols regarding masks and Physical distancing.
- All non-OKWU event tours of the La Quinta mansion and non-OKWU event photography on campus are closed to the public at this time.
- Until further notice, non-OKWU event visitors and outside visitors are invited to watch OKWU's chapel service on our [YouTube channel](#) but will not be allowed to attend in person chapel service.