

# A GUIDE FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS TO START THE FALL 2020 SEMESTER

Our faculty and staff members are excited to welcome students back on campus to start the 2020-21 school year. Ambassador Baptist College is committed to providing a healthy environment for our students to receive classroom instruction. The college is fine tuning its policies in response to COVID-19 in light of federal, state, and local guidelines. This document is a guide to let both students and parents know what to expect as we begin the new school year.

Our students will receive a thorough orientation with the most up-to-date protocols when they arrive to move into the dorms or register for classes. Read these details to prepare for a great school year.

## BEFORE YOU COME

- Buy a mask or face covering that covers the nose and mouth and is comfortable. There will be times where students and college employees may have to wear masks when social distancing is not possible.
- If you know your class schedule for the fall semester, access the class booklist on the college website [here](#) and purchase your books in advance. Students will not be allowed to borrow books from other students during the semester because of health guidelines.
- Get into the habit of self-checking each morning for symptoms of COVID-19. During the school year, students will be asked to stay in the dorms if they are not feeling well.
- Please know that if you have a medical condition that prevents you from wearing a mask, you will not be required to wear one.

## WHEN YOU COME

- Students and those with them will be asked to wear masks as you enter to check into the dorms.
- All students and their guests who come with them must have their temperatures checked and complete a COVID-19 questionnaires.
- Dormitory move-in times will be staggered to control the number of people in the dorm at one time.
- Parents will be allowed to help students settle into the dorms, but they will not be allowed to linger to allow for others to come and move into their rooms.
- The occupancy of the college bookstore will be limited so there may be a wait.
- There will be no more than 3 people per dorm room.
- Be flexible! Events may be slightly changed or adjusted to help our students and guests on move-in day.

## WHILE YOU ARE HERE

- Chapel seating will be spaced out throughout the chapel.
- Classroom seating will allow for social distancing when possible.
- Seating in the Alumni Commons will be adjusted to allow for social distancing.
- When having to wait in line, you will see floor markings indicating 6 feet between people.
- Serving times in the college cafeteria will take longer to comply with state guidelines.
- If a student is feeling ill, he will be asked to stay in his room. Students exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 will be isolated in a special dorm.
- The dean of students office will be the point of contact when a student is ill.

- Soap and paper towels will be provided in each dorm to encourage good hygiene.
- Common areas and high-touch surfaces on the campus will be cleaned regularly.
- Seating in cafeteria will be adjusted to allow for social distancing.
- Kitchen workers will be required to have a temperature check at the beginning of each shift and wear face masks when on duty.
- Regularly check your college email account for updates and changes to COVID-19 policies.
- Hand sanitizer will be placed in classrooms and common areas to promote good hygiene.

#### **FOR PARENTS**

- The college has formulated mitigation, isolation and testing protocols for students and college employees who exhibit symptoms of COVID-19. The students, faculty, and staff will be well-versed in these protocols.
- The college has coordinated with local medical offices to assure access to testing if necessary.
- If you have any concerns or questions during the year, you may contact the dean of students office to express them. Your concerns are important to us.
- The college will strive to communicate with students and their parents in a proactive fashion if guidelines or circumstances change.

The administration of Ambassador Baptist College is committed to providing the best spiritual and academic preparation to our students in the midst of the COVID-19 virus. While much time has been spent in planning, much time must also be spent in praying for the upcoming year. Pray for our college family on a regular basis as we train God's servants for God service.