Dear Lopes,

The first day of spring term will be here before we know it and we are so grateful you will be continuing with or joining us at Lamar Community College! Our key focus for spring is to ensure students have access to classes in order to complete their academic goals for 2020-2021. However, we will all have to be flexible and adaptable as the status of our region may change, requiring us to quickly shift to alternative plans.

As with the fall term, the way we serve students is going to look different in light of current conditions. Your safety is our top priority; therefore, your cooperation and understanding will be key to help us maintain our goals of having students safely attending classes, living in residence halls, and participating in activities and events. Many of the expectations for fall term are the same and we have some important additions to make you aware of.

Protect yourself, protect your peers, protect your semester.

In order to do this, we have set some general expectations:

- **Face Coverings** – LCC will follow Colorado orders and Prowers County guidance for wearing face coverings indoors and when outdoors with others. We do expect students to buy or make additional masks/face coverings and keep them clean. We plan to have masks on sale once the semester begins, but you may also make or buy your own mask.
  - *Face coverings include cloth masks, paper masks, scarves/bandanas, and gaiters.* Students and employees with documented medical disability reasons for not wearing face coverings are exempt and will receive guidance for alternative solutions by our Special Populations Coordinator. Please contact Becky Young at 719.336.1533 or becky.young@lamarcc.edu prior to coming to campus.
- **Social Distancing** – LCC will follow Colorado and Prowers County guidance to observe a social distance of at least six feet when with others.
- **Symptom Checking** – all individuals (employees, students, visitors) will be required to do a daily temperature, symptom, and travel check. LCC will be using #CampusClear, which can be downloaded as an app or accessed via web at https://web.ivy.ai/app/campusclear. Individuals who have symptoms or who may have been exposed to someone with COVID-19 are advised to call their healthcare provider for guidance and to notify their coach, Residence Hall Director, or faculty member. Students with LCC health insurance should contact High Plains Community Health Center and other students should contact their own healthcare provider. Students are also asked to notify the LCC COVID-19 Coordinator, Chad DeBono.
- **Remote Services** – With a recommended limit of 10-50% employees on-campus at one time, it is anticipated that many LCC employees will continue remote work schedules. During this time, we will be fully operational, but in some cases, you may be served via phone, email, video meetings, and other alternate methods rather than face-to-face.
- **COVID-19 Online Training** – All students will be required to complete (unless completed in fall 2020) a mandatory COVID-19 training program online by January 30, 2021. This training is available on Desire2Learn. To access your training log into the LopeAccess portal. Click on “Course Access” and then “Click here to access your LCC Desire2Learn classes”. **Cleaning** – LCC will follow all CDC and CDPHE guidance in place at the time. Employees and students will be
strONGLY ENCOURAGED TO ALSO CLEAN HIGH-TOUCH SURFACES (E.G. DESKTOPS, DOOR HANDLES, WATER SPIGOTS, ETC.) PRIOR TO USING THEM.

- **Personal Accountability**—We expect each employee, student, and visitor to follow all guidelines and standards in place at the time. Together we will be #LopesStrong.

Click here to stay up to date with all LCC COVID-19 Information and to learn more about our preferred plan for a Safe Return to Campus – Spring 2021. We know these plans can change and we encourage you to work with us as we adapt and adjust in order to ensure the best learning, living, and working environment possible.

**Academic Expectations**

If you already have your schedule, that is great. We are ready. If you do not already have your schedule, there is still time to register for spring. Contact advising@lamarcc.edu to set up an appointment with a College Navigator.

We have two options to choose from this Spring.

- **Face-to-face and remote course delivery on campus**
  - CTE and hands-on components of arts and science courses will be held in person. These in person classes will adhere to enhanced social distancing and safety guidelines. All other courses will be remote until local conditions allow for more face-to-face instruction. Your faculty will provide you with information on course delivery via D2L and course syllabi.
  - Students in CTE courses and hands-on course will must complete a self-quarantine certification form. These forms are included in the Safe Return to Campus – Spring 2021.
  - Face-to-face courses may also have parts of the course using Webex/Zoom as alternate remote options for faculty and students who require/desire it. In some cases, you may be in the classroom and your instructor may be using Webex/Zoom to lead the class.
  - The college intends to complete the semester on campus. However, it may be necessary to pivot to 100% remote instruction as conditions change. In that situation, students will work with their instructors to prepare for the transition during the semester. We strongly recommend that you have a computing device or a plan to access a device to finish the semester. If that’s a problem for you, please discuss your needs with the MAP Center.

- **CCCOnline**
  - These courses will not require in-person attendance and will not have a designated schedule or videoconferencing time. Students must complete the coursework in the time frame outlined in the syllabus.
  - Online courses can offer more flexibility than face-to-face courses. We have 15-week, 10-week, and 6-week courses to choose from so you can take courses on your schedule.
  - As part of our COVID-19 response at LCC, all CCCOnline students will receive a scholarship reducing the tuition down to the on-campus rate. This scholarship will be applied after census date of the course.
Residence Life

Move in begins on January 4th, 2021. All students in housing will be required to have a negative PCR or molecular COVID-19 test within five days before their scheduled move-in date. Students with a documented positive result (PCR or molecular) within 90 days of move-in date do not need to test but should bring documentation of that result. Students will also complete a comprehensive screening form prior to check-in.

Upon move-in, all residents will be required to social distance and use face coverings in all areas with the exception of within their room for 14 days after which “Family Unit” cohort groups may relax those requirements as long as they continue to social distance and wear face coverings in settings away from the Residence Halls.

Check-in times will be during the times listed below for each of the established days. If students are unable to make it during these times, they must contact the Coordinator of Resident/Student Life at Pat.christensen@lamarcc.edu or 719-336-6660 to determine other arrangements. Only extenuating circumstances will allow for scheduling outside these times.

Sunday, January 3rd
Residence Hall students enrolled in Winter Term Course who do not have remote class access at home
Students that have booked flights & unable to change

Monday, January 4th
Women’s Basketball (15-16) 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Men’s Basketball (25-27) 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Women’s Volleyball (14-15) 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, January 12th
Men’s Baseball (54-55) 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 13th
HTM/EBM (10-12) 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Men’s & Women’s Rodeo (16-18) 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Golf (5) 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 14th
Women’s Softball (24-25) 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
All other students (TBD) 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Friday, January 15th
New Student Orientation - virtual
All other students

Prepare for Check-in

- Students are advised to bring essential items only during the check-in process. Due to the unknown and variability of Executive Orders and guidance to higher education, this will make it easier for students if LCC is required to shift to remote learning and/or end the term early.
Excess décor, supplemental furniture, appliances, and non-essential items are not recommended.

- Make arrangements to get a COVID-19 test, either PCR or molecular COVID-19 test, within five days before their scheduled move-in date. Be sure to consult with your healthcare provider on when test results are likely to be available to ensure you have results within 5 days before move-in. Be prepared to show proof of your test results. If you’ve had COVID-19 within 90 days of your move-in date, bring documentation of a positive PCR or molecular test instead. Students will complete a comprehensive screening form prior to entering the residence halls.
- One (1) parent at a time will be able to assist with move in.
- All student-athletes residing on campus will be provided directions by their respective coach to self-quarantine at home for 14 days prior to checking into the residence hall. This 14-day quarantine is nonnegotiable as it pertains to NJCAA guidelines.
- All new residence hall students must also complete COVID-19 Screening Form for Student-Athletes OR Residence Hall Students (non-athletes). Please complete these forms and bring them with you to check-in.
- All student-athletes and students in hands-on course/programs must complete a self-quarantine certification form. These forms are included in the Safe Return to Campus – Spring 2021 document. Please complete these forms and bring them with you to check-in.
- All new residence hall students must also complete a waiver form. Please complete these forms and bring them with you to check-in.
- Refer to the Residence Hall section on page 8 of our Safe Return to Campus – Spring 2021 for additional information on Residence Life and Dining Services.
- Make sure to submit your immunization record to jonathan.hughes@lamarcc.edu prior to checking in to the residence halls. In Colorado, all students are required to submit proof of two immunizations of measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) and one immunization of the meningococcal vaccination. You will be asked to complete this immunization waiver and bring it to check-in.

Orientation

Orientation will be held on Friday, January 15th for new students. Under Prowers County’s current variance, Lamar Community College will be holding this event virtually. More information will be provided to you closer to the event. As this is a virtual event, your family members are welcome to attend.

Thank you for choosing LCC! We will see you soon!