



CLBI COVID-19 Planning for the 2020/2021 Program Year

June 19, 2020

Under the current Government Health Guidelines in Alberta, we are preparing a safe and healthy on campus program year at the Canadian Lutheran Bible Institute!

The CLBI COVID-19 Task Force has developed a working plan to outline safe and healthy mitigation of risks to students, staff/instructors and any essential visitors/volunteers to our campus. With guidance from the experience and knowledge of the Task Force, we have established a plan using the Government of Alberta guidance documents: **Guidance for Post-Secondary Institutions** for mitigating risk while reopening for in-person classes.

All students will take part in an online orientation to the new practices before the program year commences. Tentative dates for two Zoom online orientation options are: August 19/20 from 7:30-9:00pm. The orientation will include a detailed explanation of the outline below.

We value community, and what Jesus does among us so highly we want to make sure we develop healthy and safe patterns to be able to enjoy community for the whole year! Here are the areas we will need to embrace with that purpose in mind:

1. **Dormitory**

- Single occupancy rooms
 - If our dorms reach maximum capacity, we will be looking for alternative options off campus to house students in need.
- Schedule of sanitization
- Physical distancing throughout the campus (use of PPE when not possible)
- Bathroom occupancy plan for maximum physical distancing

2. **Classroom**

- Assigned seating for each week of class
- Physical distancing - 1 student per table
- Regular sanitization
- Stairwells directionally defined
- Available PPE for all students and time limit for any close contact in class group discussion (while using PPE)

3. Common/Public Space

- Rigid schedule of cleaning/disinfection for high touch/high traffic areas
- Daily symptom screening/temperature reading
- Designated visitor space and sign in with cleaning after any visitors

4. Food Services

- Maximum number per table
- Sanitizing on entrance and exit
- Food services staff plating/serving
- Designated coffee times with a “barista” serving
- rigid schedule of cleaning/disinfection of Cafeteria

5. Outdoor Education component

- Following cohort guidelines for outdoor activities
- 2 people per tent max with maximum ventilation possible
- Use of PPE while close quarter traveling

6. Decision Making Committee

- If there are significant changes in COVID-19 restrictions, this committee will advise President Dean Rostad on courses of action.
- Gather best information available on active case trends in our communities
- Advise when isolation or limitation on off-campus movement is needed

7. Isolation Room(s)

- Designated sleeping space and bathroom
- Meal and laundry service - using a ‘buddy’ system
- Quarantine plans for international students
- Detailed response plan for illness/outbreak with advice from Decision Making Committee

8. Leaving Campus

- a) Staff {if there is a rise in regional active cases}
- Procedures when returning home

- Limiting contact outside home

b) Students

- Weekend plans and procedures
- Social trip - communication of plans

The staff and board and Task Force are putting in a great deal of effort and time to make the campus ready for what God is up to among us this coming year! A few things we are working on right now: replacing light switches and faucets to make them more handsfree friendly; table layouts for Cafeteria and Classrooms to maximize safety and to best include connection between fellow students as well as staff/instructors; dorm room space and bathroom use plans.

As we continue to develop each of the 8 areas of need over the summer months, we will have more complete details of what the best practice will involve for each area. We are thankful for the ability to plan to have in person classes and program at CLBI for the coming year! Please continue to pray for safe and healthy practices over the summer months to be part of avoiding a rise in new active COVID-19 cases.

Please contact me with any questions, concerns or for further details on any part of this developing plan at 780-672-4454 and program@clbi.edu

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