

**Otero Junior College  
Academic and Student Affairs**

**Spring 2021 Return to Campus Plan**

**Academic Instructional Delivery**

**Red Level Status Models**

- Face to face classes (at 50% capacity) – Nursing, MLT, Cosmetology, Welding, ABM, Law Enforcement Academy, etc.
  - Faculty are disinfecting classrooms after every class. Each faculty member has a basket with hand sanitizer, masks, a thermometer, wristbands (to indicate that students have been checked), and sanitizing wipes.
- Hybrid with livestreaming – some days students receive livestreaming through WebEx and other days students complete work online or meet with instructor individually or on campus
- Distance Education Science Labs – students will receive a Science lab kit from the Science faculty. Instruction will be provided through live streaming. This is meant to be a temporary measure while we are in the Red Level status.
- Online with no livestreaming
- Students will receive health screenings when they enter classrooms and buildings, including temperature checks.
- Students are required to wear face coverings to class.

**Orange Level (or Less) Status Models**

- Face to face classes (at 50% capacity) – Nursing, MLT, Cosmetology, Welding, ABM, Law Enforcement Academy, etc.
  - Faculty are disinfecting classrooms after every class. Each faculty member has a basket with hand sanitizer, masks, a thermometer, wristbands (to indicate that students have been checked), and sanitizing wipes.
- Hybrid with face to face – half the class comes on one day and half the class comes on another day.
  - Faculty are disinfecting classrooms after every class. Each faculty member has a basket with hand sanitizer, masks, a thermometer, wristbands (to indicate that students have been checked), and sanitizing wipes.
- Hybrid with livestreaming – some days students receive livestreaming through WebEx and other days students complete work online or meet with instructor individually or in small groups on campus
- Hybrid with livestreaming and face to face labs – lecture is livestreamed and labs are face to face
  - Faculty are disinfecting classrooms after every class. Each faculty member has a basket with hand sanitizer, masks, a thermometer, wristbands (to indicate that students have been checked), and sanitizing wipes.
- Online with no livestreaming
- Students will receive health screenings when they enter classrooms and buildings, including temperature checks.
- Students are required to wear face coverings to class.

## **Athletics**

### **Updates:** Social distancing and personal protective equipment (PPE)

- All coaches and athletics staff will wear a face covering at all times with the exception of those actively participating in the sport. All student-athletes, coaches, game management personnel will be required to wear the face coverings while on the bench or in the dugouts.
- All coaches and athletic training staff will administer temperature recordings before any contact is made with student athletes. There will be a designated space at one entry door to do so. A log of daily athletic staff and students will be kept. Anyone experiencing a fever over 100.4 degrees, coughing, or other symptoms laid out by the CDC or other health agencies relating to COVID 19 will not be allowed in the common areas relating to office space, training room facilities, fitness center facilities, gyms, locker-rooms, and team meeting areas unless they are in their respective cohort. Athletics staff and students will wear a colored wristband for the day, indicating they have a safe temperature for that given moment in time.
- Group games with probable contact and a shared ball should be avoided while in Phase 1. It is not only difficult to avoid contact, but there is also uncertainty about shared balls and virus transmission.

### **Phase One of Action Plan**

*January 3-January 10: Baseball, Basketball, Softball, Volleyball, Wrestling*

*January 9-January 16: Golf, Rodeo, Soccer*

In accordance with the federal guidelines, resocialization of sport for Phase 1 assumes the following:

- Vulnerable student-athletes, athletics health care providers, coaches and athletics personnel should continue to shelter in place. Vulnerable populations include individuals with serious underlying health conditions such as high blood pressure, chronic lung disease, diabetes, obesity and asthma, and those whose immune system is compromised, such as by chemotherapy.
- Those living in residence halls and other residences where vulnerable individuals reside should be aware that by returning to OJC/work or other environments where distancing is not practical, they could carry the virus back home, and appropriate isolating precautions should be taken.
- Physical distancing should continue.
- Gatherings of more than 10 people should be avoided unless precautionary measures of physical distancing and sanitization are in place.
- Gyms and common areas where student-athletes and staff are likely to congregate and interact will remain closed unless strict distancing and sanitation protocols are followed.
- Virtual meetings should be encouraged whenever possible and feasible.
- Nonessential travel should be minimized, and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines regarding isolation after travel should be implemented.

## **International Students**

- All international students will work directly with International Relations Director to determine a date of arrival; with the input and assistance of coaches for athletes. The general move-in date has been set as January 4. We will accommodate all students travel and arrival dates based on what is best for the students.
- All international students will complete a 14 day quarantine based on the date they arrive in Colorado.
  - Will quarantine in Hotel in La Junta if they come to campus.
  - OJC will coordinate with the OCHD for PCR testing for all international students
  - A negative test will not result in discontinuing quarantine
  - Food will be delivered to location
  - Health checks will be performed
- Meals will be provided to students when they arrive on campus. The International Relations Office staff and coaches will help in the delivery of meals for those in quarantine.

### ***Additional protocol specific to International Student Athletes***

- International student athletes will phase-in athletics this spring similar to fall (see attached).
- We will ask ALL resident hall students to self-quarantine for 14 days prior to their arrival to campus. During this time, it is important for students to monitor their symptoms at home. If symptoms are present during this time, do not return to campus. Notify the Dean of Student Affairs ([gary.addington@ojc.edu](mailto:gary.addington@ojc.edu)) so arrangements can be made for a safe return to campus.
- Athletics will utilize a testing protocol if testing becomes available. Possibilities could include:
  - In-season sports 1 x week
  - Off-season sports 50% of team 1 x week
  - All sports 1 x week
- Everything we do in athletics will be determined by the dial in which we get from CDPHE in regards to fans and the limits we get from them.

## **Residence Halls**

### **General Info**

- The general move-in date has been set as January 4 for most sports based on the NJCAA practice “Start Date” **and** all international students. Soccer, golf and rodeo can plan on moving into the halls on the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. We will accommodate all students travel and arrival dates based on what is best for the students.
- All international SA will complete a 14-day quarantine based on the date they arrive in Colorado. This date will need to be coordinated with me, Dillon, the respective coach, and the Director of International Relations.
  - Will quarantine in Hotel in La Junta if they come to campus.
  - OJC will work with the OCHD to determine a process to PCR testing.
  - A negative test will not result in discontinuing quarantine

- Food will be delivered to location
- Health checks will be performed
- Meals will be provided to students when they arrive on campus beginning on January 4. Coaches will help in the delivery of meals for those in quarantine.
- Will phase-in athletics this spring similar to fall. Will get you this process once it is approved by the OCHD.
- We will ask ALL resident hall students to self-quarantine for 14 days prior to their arrival to campus. During this time, it is important for students to monitor their symptoms at home. If symptoms are present during this time, do not return to campus. Notify the Dean of Student Affairs ([gary.addington@ojc.edu](mailto:gary.addington@ojc.edu)) so arrangements can be made for a safe return to campus.
- Will utilize a testing protocol if testing becomes available. Possibilities could include:
  - In-season sports 1 x week
  - Off-season sports 50% of team 1 x week
  - All sports 1 x week

**Plans below are subject to change in accordance with CDC, CDPHE, OCHD, NJCAA and Region IX guidelines. We intend to begin with Plan A.**

Plan A:

- Return to campus January 4 (all sports except golf, soccer and rodeo)
- Limit in-person practices to 10 total people for the first week then return to regular practice sessions
- Go outside to practice as much as possible
- Game days do not change

Plan B:

- Return to campus January 9
- 7- day modified quarantine (No practice permitted)
- Limit in-person practices to 10 total people week #2
- Return to regular practice sessions week #3
- Push back first official game-day two weeks

Plan C:

- Return to campus January 9
- 7-day modified quarantine (No practice permitted)
- Limit in-person practices to 10 total people week #2
- Return to regular practice sessions week #3
- Cancel all pre-season, non-conference games and play Region 9 opponents only