Pi Kappa Alpha
Alpha Kappa Chapter

COVID 19 Plan of Action

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During this uncertain and unprecedented time, the Alpha Kappa chapter is taking the following precautions and preventive measures in the light of the COVID 19 virus.

Sanitation

- Pi Kappa Alpha has hired a professional cleaner that works for the University. Every hard surface (touch point) will be sanitized six days a week for two hours. Furthermore, extra sanitizing equipment has been stocked to be used by either the cleaning company or for general member’s residential spaces.

Dining

- Pi Kappa Alpha’s meal plan is through College Chefs. Meals will no longer be buffet style, but will be packaged by our chefs for members to take with them. Members will be encouraged to take food to their rooms (not common areas). Later, it will be reevaluated to enact socially distanced dinners, set up in shifts which will have to be signed up for (3 shifts for both lunch and dinner). Trash bins for these meals are spread in all four corners of the dining hall to reduce member interaction.

Common Areas

- Members will be encouraged to use common areas on an as needed basis. Rooms are marked for maximum capacity and furniture is spaced to ensure we can meet the capacity listed safely. A mask is required in all common areas. This policy will be reviewed before Labor Day, where chapter leaders will revisit potentially out of date guidelines.

Occupancy

- The Alpha Kappa house will reduce occupancy by over 15% and give all members and new members the option to request a single man room for an additional $350.
Room Capacity

- Rooms will occupy no more than two members each. (Under no circumstances 3 person rooms will be allowed at any time throughout the semester). Rooms have been sanitized prior to move-in. Desks and beds are spaced to allow for proper social distances when both members are in the room.

Visitor Policy

- During move in, members will be allowed two visitors to assist with move in during their designated time (90 minute intervals) and all persons (visitors and members) will have their temperature taken and logged. No more than two members per hallway are permitted during move-in. Also, all doors will be locked except the doors that have access to the parking lot, for the purpose of funneling traffic for COVID screening. During the first two weeks of quarantine, all non-essential visitors will be prohibited. This will be revisited after the first week. Out of house members of Pi Kappa Alpha will be permitted to visit the chapter house in common areas with a maximum capacity of 1 per room.

Social Policy

- Socials will not be conducted by the chapter for the first weeks. This policy will be change as the university changes its policy on larger gatherings. Socials with other organizations will only be held once an adequate plan of safety is created. All socials will have to be within the university’s and IFC’s standards to be considered.

Quarantine Plan

- In the event of a positive case, the student will have the option to return home, isolate within the chapter defined spaces or within University isolation housing as available. Priority of options rank as follows: the member will be encouraged to leave the university and self-isolate in their own homes, the member will be encouraged to leaved Pi Kappa Alpha property and quarantine in on-campus facilities, the member and roommate will be told to self-isolate in his room during the duration of suspected infection. Members in frequent contact with someone who has tested positive will be strongly advised to self-isolate, as well as their suite mates/roommates, in University isolation or at home.

Screening

- All members living on chapter property will be required to screen daily for temperatures and COVID-19 symptoms. This data will be stored to estimate time of infection of someone contracts the virus.

Community
Members will be discouraged from taking nonessential visits to places within the community. Also, members will be required to wear masks on all visits outside of the house.

In the event of an outbreak within our house:

- Isolating member
  - Those in contact
    - Will either be relocated out of the chapter house, to their homes or to university accommodated quarantine rooms, or self-isolate in their wing of the house. Roommates of those in contact will also quarantine. Furthermore, exposed members will be given the option to relocate to our first-floor rooms, which have access to their own bathroom to keep separate from non-infected members. The chapter will prioritize having infected members leaving the university over staying and isolating on Pi Kappa Alpha or University property. Current capacity can fit up to 6 people suspected with COVID symptoms in separate rooms, however further accommodations will be made in the event of a larger outbreak. Members will be required to bring enough clothes and personal items to get them through the quarantine period without leaving the space.
  - Interaction
    - Meals will be delivered to members in a designated boundary location of the quarantine space on disposable plates.
    - Community showers will be assigned to members living in communal style rooms. Under no circumstances can a member use a shower that he wasn’t assigned. Boundaries will be drawn in this wing of the house to split the two communal bathrooms evenly between members. In the instance one of these members is exposed to COVID, all members who use that bathroom will be encouraged to self-isolate. These bathrooms/showers will be disinfected every day to prevent further spread of the virus.
    - Disinfectant equipment will be left in these rooms so members can continue to sanitize their living quarters during their infection.
    - Interaction with these members will be cut-off during the course of their infection.
  - Roommates
    - Must stay in room self-isolating during the course of their roommate’s infection. The original room of infected member will serve as isolating room of the infected member’s roommate.
    - After the infection, members will be required to completely disinfect their previous living quarters to prevent residual contagions.