READ IT, DON'T DELETE IT

September 4, 2020

It is the second **Read It, Don't Delete It** of the year! This monthly note provides you with important information you need to know regarding your on-campus experience. This month's edition includes information on:

- Your COVID-19 Responsibilities
- Room Changes
- Perimeter Access
- Committing to Sustainability
- ResLife Social Media Survey

Your COVID-19 Responsibilities

Keeping everyone safe and Truman open is the responsibility of all students, faculty, and staff members. Please remember that, under <u>Truman's reopening plan</u>, your responsibilities include:

- **Wearing a Mask at All Times:** The reopening plan names mask wearing as essential and "mandatory." At any time you are in a building on campus, you must wear a facial covering. As an on-campus student, the only exemption is when you are eating and when you are in your own room and your roommate agrees that it is OK not to wear masks.
- Wearing a Mask in Study Rooms, Lounges, and Other Spaces: These public areas are not exempt from mask wearing. Please refrain from eating in these spaces, as you cannot wear a mask while eating. Instead, eat your meal or snack back in your room, outdoors, or in a dining facility.
- **Wearing a Mask Outdoors:** Even outdoors on campus, you are required to wear a mask. The only exception is if you can maintain at least six feet from other people. That's two yard-sticks of distance between you and others. Walking to class with a friend, sitting on the quad with classmates, or studying with other students under the shade of a tree all require mask wearing unless you can actively ensure a full six feet of physical distancing.
- Stay Safe and Wear Masks While Off Campus: If you are visiting friends or events of campus, you should wear a mask at all times and maintain six feet of physical distancing. Being cautious while on campus is undermined if you let your guard down while off campus.
- **Find Ways to Reduce COVID Risk:** You can take active steps to reduce that risk. For example, maybe you and your friends want to do something on the Quad Saturday morning. To lower the risk while getting together, you could:
 - all wear masks
 - o select a more physically distanced activity, like Frisbee golf, over something without physical distancing, like touch football
 - o keep the group size to 10 or fewer
 - bring hand sanitizer
 - o ask everyone how they are feeling before they get together.
- **Limit Guests in Your Room:** Residence Life strongly recommends that you not have guests in your room this year. Instead, meet up with guests outdoors or in a large lounge. Anyone visiting your room must wear a mask, as people are only exempt from wearing a mask in their own room. As always, guests require the consent of all roommates before entering. Talk with your roommate about your room policy on guests this year.

We have been so proud of how most students appreciate the awesome public health responsibility they have been entrusted with. We thank you for your active concern for others, yourself, and Truman. You can read all the details about Truman's plan to reopen this fall and how you play a role in its

success by <u>visiting this online document</u> and sharing it with friends. You can also read more about <u>Res Life's COVID updates here</u>. Thank you for keeping everyone safe!

Room Changes

Room changes open up on August 31st. If you're interested in changing rooms, follow these instructions:

Log into TruView → Click on "Student" Tab → Select "Housing" → Select "Housing Portal" → Select "Room Change Process"

Once you are in the Room Change Process, you will have the ability to see where open rooms are on campus and contact the occupants of those rooms to see if you would be a good match.

Perimeter Access

This is a friendly reminder to always carry your Student ID card with you, especially at night. In addition to being used in the cafeterias, library, and Student Recreation Center, your Student ID card will allow you to swipe into the halls after the exterior doors have locked at 10:30pm.

As an On-Campus resident, you have access to the green and yellow doors of the Residence Hall you live in after 10:30pm every night. You will not have access to another building's green and yellow doors.

If you have issues with your Student ID card, please visit the ID Office located in Missouri Hall 1100.

Committing to Sustainability

As part of the Truman community, you can have a great impact on the sustainability of this institution. One way to do that is by making small changes in your life to be more sustainable. Please visit the link below to learn more about sustainability here at Truman State University!

Truman State University Sustainability

ResLife Social Media Survey

Residence Life is returning to social media and we need your input! Please take this survey to let us know what you would like to see in your feed! Take the survey HERE!

Have a great start to the semester, and remember to Mask Up!

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