

BRIERCREST RETURN TO CAMPUS PLAN FALL 2020

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INTRODUCTION

Briercrest is moving forward with a combination of face to face instruction in a modified tutorial format (reducing class time and student/teacher contact) as well as accommodating online instruction (likewise reducing student numbers in the community). This plan anticipates that the school will begin to reopen September 1, 2020, with few exceptions, **small class-sizes of 18 or less, in social cohorts and in a socially distanced context**. This presumes that Saskatchewan is successfully operating according to the Stage 4 of the Re-open Saskatchewan Plan. Our Briercrest Plan aligns with the dictates of the Saskatchewan Health Authority (July 9, 2020 update) and we will continue to monitor the evolving best practices related to public protocols and policies. This plan and our constituents are highly adaptive, allowing for adjustments as Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) directs changes.

The student body will be grouped into social cohorts of no more than a total of 30 students and dorm leaders (typically 2 leaders). Each group will be identified with colour-coded wristbands. These groups will be kept together for dormitory assignments, worship and church groups, and social activities. Each social cohort is to be physically spaced from all other cohorts to make contact tracing possible. While physical distancing is to be practiced by each cohort it is recognized that smaller “family groups” will naturally form within the cohort.

Our campus can service nearly 1000 students in the College and Academy programs with a capacity of 671 students in residence. It is anticipated that approximately 250 college students will reside in dormitories with approximately 100 living in the community, thus providing considerable space to prevent crowding or congestion. In a separate dormitory setting the Briercrest Christian Academy (BCA) will have approximately 60 students in residence following the same pandemic restrictions as the college students. BCA will be observing the COVID-19 plan and policy prescribed by Prairie South School District. To reduce student numbers on campus, Briercrest Seminary will operate remotely with online courses, save for one Counseling Practicum scheduled for a week in mid-October. Briercrest will operate our dormitories at approximately 50% capacity or less. We acknowledge that our plan to re-open is subject to the scrutiny of SHA and we would submit to their changes, and even closure if the conditions of the pandemic require it.

CONSIDERATIONS FOR RE-OPENING FACE TO FACE INSTRUCTION

- I. Campus Capacity – We have a campus capacity of over 1000 students with physical facilities (dormitories, community, and academic facilities) that allow for comfortable social distancing. We are anticipating a fall enrolment of 350–400 residential students in the college and high school.
- II. Rural Context – Being situated in a rural community, away from concentrated populations, will reduce our contact with the general public.

- III. Smaller Student Population – Like other smaller universities and colleges, we can effectively anticipate and control student traffic and activities because of the comparatively smaller group size.
- IV. The Congregational Nature of our Education – Students come to Briercrest for a distinctive spiritual experience that is shaped by discipleship activities (prayer and worship) that needs to be delivered in a community.
- V. Mental Health of our Students – We have been monitoring the negative effects of isolation on our young adult population and feel there is a significant need for social and relational experiences that are not probable in an online context.
- VI. Community Ethos – Briercrest has a long history of holding students to high expectations of conduct largely based on what is morally and spiritually healthy for students. To extend these expectations for COVID-19 preventative measures (loving thy neighbour) would be easily prescribed and willingly accepted by our student body.
- VII. Student Development Supervision and Support - Unlike many dormitory environments, we have strong oversight of our residences and student activity. This will help ensure restrictions and distancing requirements in all spaces are monitored and enforced.
- VIII. Co-curricular Activities - Briercrest has a tradition of strong music/performance and athletic participation. While these activities need to be particularly scrutinized for effective preventative measures, their successful delivery is a key feature of the Briercrest experience. While actual league play and normal performances will not be planned for this fall, there will be other creative opportunities for performers and athletes to hone their skills and be challenged in ways that could not be achieved remotely. All athletic opportunities will follow the guidelines of the Provincial Re-Open Saskatchewan Plan.
- IX. Financial Viability – If the institution were consigned to remote delivery only, we predict a considerable student dropout rate, further layoffs, and a significant revenue shortfall that could cost the province of Saskatchewan millions of dollars. But beyond this, the loss of students puts the student cohort for the 2021/22 academic year in serious jeopardy. Each year, we depend on a fulsome freshmen incoming class to sustain our total number of students. If we were to be only online this year, we anticipate a perilous loss of nearly half our students. This is exacerbated by the fact that many of our competing, smaller faith-based schools plan to be fully functional this fall (Prairie, Millar, Providence, Vanguard, Heritage, et al).

Briercrest will be providing online courses for international students and Seminary students for Fall 2020.

Because of our unique setting, and for the reasons listed above, we feel it reasonable and essential that we re-open our campus in a measured and staged manner. The Executive Leadership Team has commissioned a COVID-19 committee that is chaired by the Provost with the following personnel on the committee:

- Don Taylor (Chair) – Provost
- Carlie Pagens – Director of Counselling and Health Services
- Corinne Bachman – Events Coordinator
- Kevin Thiessen – Dean of Students
- Terry Wolverton – Assistant Director of Student Life
- Rob Schellenberg – Director of Campus Operations
- Mark Brauer – Custodial Manager
- Stan Peters – Director of Athletics
- Blayne Banting – Dean of the Seminary
- AJ Crocker – VP Marketing & Recruitment
- Derek Zacharias – Vice Principal (BCA)
- Adrian Leister – Director of Human Resources

The committee has formulated the Briercrest Plan recognizing the specifics of our institutional buildings. The committee will continue to monitor the execution of our Re-open Plan and will make adjustments as needed over time. For the daily execution of the plan, Carlie Pagens will give oversight, while Corinne Bachman will organize and facilitate activities. However, monitoring and assistance will be distributed throughout the institution.

Following the directions of the SHA plan (June 30 update) the organization will undertake the following operating procedures. The Briercrest Plan may change as updates are made to the SHA plan.

GENERAL PROCEDURES – STUDENTS, STAFF, AND FACULTY HABITS

- Wash your hands frequently with soap and water. Scrub for 20 seconds.
 - o If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that is approved by Health Canada.
- Avoid touching your face, mouth, nose, and eyes.
- Cough/sneeze into the bend of your elbow and then wash your hands with soap and water.
- Students will be required to wear masks while in transit within public buildings.

Student, Staff, and Faculty Testing

While many things are out of our control, our hope is to have all students and staff tested for COVID-19 on or before September 4th. Students from provinces offering asymptomatic testing are asked to be tested in their home province 7-10 days prior to arriving on campus.

Students who do not have testing available in their home province, will be required to be tested once having arrived in Saskatchewan. If conditions permit, we would ask the Saskatchewan Health Authority to assist with testing for those who are unable to access testing in their home province. During the intervening 48 hours until results are achieved, all students who are tested on campus will be required social distance. We will continue to work closely with Public Health to test our students upon arrival as just one measure of protection amongst many others (cohorts, daily screening, temperature checks, distancing, etc.).

A self-monitoring health app will be used by all students, staff, and faculty for daily check-ins.

Student Travel

Activities will be planned for weekends with the intent of providing an enjoyable experience that encourages students to remain on campus whenever possible. Requests for weekend travel can be made through Senior or Resident Directors. Approvals will be treated on a case by case basis as requests can vary significantly.

If students are approved for home travel, they will be expected to continue to practice safe social distancing and will be required to continue daily self-monitoring through the health app.

Visitors to Campus

Visitors will not be permitted in our dormitories. Most door accesses to the main building will be locked. Entrances and exits will be carefully controlled with hand sanitizer stations at each.

Campus visitors/guests are required to fill out a COVID-19 Self-Declaration Form for Facility Access and temperature checks prior to entering campus buildings. We will use the provincial screening content and forms that are up-to-date and made available by the government. Any visitor who refuses to comply or who has symptoms of COVID-19 will be denied access, directed to return home and to call 8-1-1.

International Students (College)

Due to the complications and risks involved in international travel, we will not accept any new international students on campus for the fall semester. This will be revisited later for the winter semester.

Continuing international students in the College who have existing study permits may join us on campus for Fall 2020. Continuing international college students who desire to return to campus must:

- Quarantine in Canada for two weeks prior to arriving on the Briercrest campus
- Be tested for COVID-19 prior to arriving on the Briercrest campus

International Students (BCA)

As a result of COVID-19 travel restrictions and delays in processing study visas many international students have experienced barriers to physically attending school at BCA. In light of this and to ensure the safety of our students, we will not admit any international students to BCA to study in person for the fall semester. Continuing international students who remained in Canada this summer may return to campus.

In place of face-to-face education in September, BCA will be offer online education for international students until such a time that students are able to obtain student study visas and it has been deemed safe to travel. International students studying online must plan to study on campus when restrictions are lifted. No school credit will be awarded to international students until they physically attend BCA. International students wishing to enrol in online studies must do so in September.

We anticipate that we may be able to welcome international students on campus as early as January, given that public safety concerns have reduced by then. Our unique semester system provides additional entry points in March and May if travel is not advisable in January.

SPECIFIC AREA PROCEDURES

Briercrest Christian Academy (BCA) Academic Operations

We have been advised by the Prairie South School Division that schools need to be flexible enough to allow for efficient transitions between online and in-person learning as warranted by any potential shifts in the public health situation.

In order to maintain maximum flexibility in programming, BCA will be running an alternate semester schedule of five two-month semesters, each with two main classes per day. This will allow staff and

students to focus on fewer courses at a time, allowing for smooth transitions between in-person and online should the need arise.

Given the uncertainties of international travel, our semester system facilitates multiple points of entry. We want students to be with us for the full year; however, having five two-month semesters this year will accommodate entries delayed by travel or border restrictions.

As part of our commitment to Christian mentorship and leadership/ministry training, we will offer a third, shorter period each day throughout the entire year for delivery of our Leadership 20/30, Choir 9/10/20/30, Chapel and small group programs. This year, our Christian Ethics classes will run as a full class in semester 1.

In addition, we will act in compliance with the finalized directives from the Prairie South School Division when they are published on August 24.

College Academic Operations

The semester is being adjusted entirely around safety protocols and educational efficiency as a hybrid model is in place. Class times and mealtimes will be staggered to reduce hallway traffic. Face to face (F2F) classes will be shortened to 45 minutes (usually twice per day, four times per week) to reduce contact time. Individual seating in classrooms will be pre-positioned for social distancing and hand sanitizer will be made available. Some courses will be delivered online to reduce student traffic and contact time in buildings.

The library will operate with less than 50% occupancy, socially distanced, and with a heightened cleaning and disinfection. All students will use hand sanitizer upon entry.

Class attendance policies will be waived for the semester. If a student has any signs of illness, they will be isolated until passing a health screening in isolation. The health screening will be completed by Student Development staff. In this event, their F2F classes will turn into online courses.

Our Fall semester model will shift to a 15-week semester made up of two seven-week sessions with one modular or reading week in between. Students will be asked to take no more than 2 F2F classes per condensed semester. The seven-week model allows for minimal impact on student schedules if our model changes and F2F classes are no longer deemed safe for students and staff.

Classes will move to a modified tutorial model. Professors will provide pre-recorded materials and students will be expected to watch materials online prior to class. Students will then come to the F2F class for a 45-minute tutorial with professors to discuss material, ask questions, engage in exercises, debate, practice, and work through any difficulties that require extra attention. These tutorials will also be available online for those who are ill or choose to participate online rather than F2F.

Isolation and Quarantine Zone

Students who test positive for COVID-19 will be asked to return home as soon as safely as possible. For students unable to return home, quarantine dorms will be established to temporarily provide students with a safe housing option until they are able to safely return home. Whenever possible, if a student has to self-isolate (ie. After calling 811 or after close contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19) and/or has tested positive, if they are able to return home, will be encouraged to do so.

Quarantine Dorms

If a student is confirmed positive, they will be moved to the positive quarantine dorm hall and will be asked to return home as soon as safely possible.

Lewis Apartments (16 persons/Bathrooms)/Pilgrim Inn (20 rooms) have been set aside for Isolation and Quarantine with individual bathrooms. One floor of Lewis Apartments (8 rooms) will be reserved for students showing flu/COVID-like symptoms until they either test positively and move to the Quarantine Floor for complete isolation or test negative. The second floor of Lewis Apartments (8 rooms) will be the Quarantine Floor for complete isolation. Staff who are delivering food to or monitoring these groups will wear personal protective equipment (SHA Plan, pages 19–23). These staff will remove and double-bag garbage from these groups before placing it in designated bins.

If needed, the Pilgrim Inn will designate a full floor of 20 rooms for quarantine purposes. Staff will also monitor and provide services such as food, laundry, and garbage removal for this group while wearing PPE.

Adequate PPE will be on hand in order to safely provide support to students in quarantine. Approved PPE supplies (masks, screens, gloves, gowns, etc.) will be centrally available at the Student Development Office. The Director of Events, Corinne Bachmann, will coordinate all activities related to dealing with isolated or quarantined students and the use of PPE.

College Athletics

College Athletics will follow the guidelines as directed by the National Sport Organizations (NSOs) and the Provincial Sport Organizations (PSOs) for return to play (this includes individual training, strength and conditioning, team practices and competitions). All athletic facilities and equipment will be closely monitored and cleaned/disinfected/sanitized to keep all participants safe. All training will meet the requirements within the phases as listed by the NSOs and PSOs and will follow the guidelines of the Saskatchewan Re-Open Plan.

There will be no competitions until it is allowed with an approved plan. The leagues in which we compete, the Alberta Colleges Athletic Conference and the Prairie Athletic Conference have delayed league play until Jan 8, 2021.

Outdoor Operations

With supervision, individuals can participate in physical activities, socially spaced, in groups no larger than 30 students. No balls or sport equipment can be exchanged without disinfection between usage when dealing with non-cohort students.

Indoor Operations

Our Gym, with centre curtain closed (no change rooms) to create two separate spaces, can comfortably support 15 people per side with two metres spacing. Otherwise, provincial sport organization guidelines will be followed.

The Fitness Centre

Unless there is supervision, the Fitness Centre will not be open to the public. Organized and supervised usage will be permitted, typically by sports teams, with full attention to disinfecting procedures and social distancing.

The Arena

We will follow the provincial sport governing bodies guidelines as well as the guidelines of the Provincial Re-Open Saskatchewan Plan.

Library

While students will be encouraged to use online resources, the library will be open for physically spaced usage. While the Archibald Library has a seating capacity of 208 students, it will be used at 50% capacity with only 100 students allowed at time (SHA Plan, pages 108-109). Physical distancing will be maintained through limited seating, pre-positioned seating, and controlling traffic flow.

Music and Performance

Until further notice, with a few exceptions, we will not permit group or choir singing in Briercrest facilities due to the extra risk associated with the spread of COVID-19.

- Choir and group voice classes will be cancelled for the fall semester.
- Singing in worship services will be permitted following the SHA guidelines (pages 34-37). Audiences will wear masks and observe social distancing and spacing measures. This includes the practice and participation of supervised worship teams.

- As a small but prominent group, an exception will be made for Resonant to practice under strict guidelines (see SHA page 116).
- Individual voice lessons will be permitted. All voice teachers and students will observe social distancing during lessons.
- Anyone can sing outdoors with 4 meters spacing (without masks) or 2 meters with a mask.

Worship/Chapel Services

For religious services, the Hildebrand Chapel will be used according to the SHA guidelines (pages 34-37) for church. Though the seating capacity is 2500, we will limit it to 150 persons (5 groups of 30 persons appropriately distanced – SHA Plan, page 35). Ushers will be used to ensure efficient entrance and exit to the space. Performers will follow the Performing Arts guidelines (pages 115-119)—no shared microphones, observing physical spacing, extra spacing from audience, etc.

Multiple chapel times will be made available so as to observe seating capacity restrictions and to provide meaningful worship experiences for students. We are currently anticipating evening chapels as well as daily rotations for different groups (ie. Group A meets Monday and Wednesday, Group B meets Tuesday and Thursday, etc.) Small groups will be actively supported throughout the student body with chaplains and will work with the Events department for potential weekend special activities.

Expansion of Cleaning Measures

Cleaning measures will adhere to current IPAC regulations and in conjunction with SHA IPAC recommendations. The Custodial Department will be adjusting schedules for optimal cleaning and disinfecting twice per day (personnel will be added to ensure these measures are fully adhered). In any specific area, if a staff or a student goes home sick that area will be cleaned and disinfected prior to resumption of use. Training will be provided to other staff who will increase disinfecting to high-touch areas throughout the day.

We will ensure that disinfectant is Health Canada approved.

Health Measures for Students

Students will have their temperature taken by a no-touch device each morning prior to attending class, along with a daily health screening. In addition, they will be educated on the symptoms of COVID-19 and asked to self-monitor.

Any students showing any signs of sickness will not be allowed to attend classes and will be isolated in their room (if a single) or an isolation room. If they display COVID-19 symptoms, they will call 811 for a possible referral for COVID-19 testing and further public health guidance.

A quarantine dorm will be established (Lewis Apartments – for 8 students/bathrooms) with a secondary site of the Pilgrim Inn should a larger outbreak occur.

Adequate personal protective equipment (PPE) will be on hand in order to safely provide support to students in quarantine.

Education Building

Classes will be set up to ensure students remain 2 metres apart from others at all times.

All furniture in common spaces will be spaced to maintain social distancing.

Hallways will have an empty centre lane with foot traffic socially spaced in one-way lanes. Students and staff may be asked to wear cloth masks while in the halls and communal spaces.

Hand sanitizer stations will be placed at all entry and exit points of the buildings as well as outside all classrooms in use. Classes will be cleaned and disinfected between each use (there will be a half hour scheduled between each class for cleaning purposes).

While washrooms are available on campus (socially distanced and with capacity limitations), students will be encouraged to use the washroom in their dorm rather than using those in the education building. Increased cleaning and disinfection will be in place to ensure washrooms are regularly cleaned.

All major entrances and exits will have signage to create a separate one-way flow of traffic. The overarching rule will be to always stay to the right.

Food Services

Sodexo will provide single service meal delivery in the cafeteria (no buffets or salad bars). Mealtimes will be staggered and seating set up for social distance. Our cafeteria is sizeable and will operate at 50% of seating capacity, which will provide adequate space for our student body. The doorway will be monitored and all students will use hand sanitizer upon entry. Our food service providers are trusted industry leaders and will follow the highest standards of food service along with thorough monitoring of their staff (see attached website). All food service will follow the guidelines of the Provincial Re-Open Saskatchewan Plan.

Staff and Faculty

Where Staff and Faculty do not need to be at the office or in buildings they should work from home and should minimize contact with others as much as possible.

Staff will be required to have their temperature taken each day along with daily health screening if they are on campus.

If staff or faculty have any sickness, they should not attend work or be on campus. If they show COVID-19 symptoms, they will be required to call 811 and follow public health directions. Before returning to work, they will need to be cleared by Public Health who may require a negative COVID-19 test.

Any outside services, such as mail delivery or service workers, will be required to complete a health screening and temperature check prior to entering into any building on campus.

DORM AND HOUSING INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS AND STAFF

The key operational goal continues to be ensuring a safe and orderly environment for students and staff.

Prior to arriving at the school, students should be extra cautious and if possible, self-isolate prior to reporting to campus. Students must sign the "Agreement and Waiver" form to participate in campus life. Students must agree to COVID-19 testing upon arrival and as needed during the school year.

Students who desire to arrive early to campus will be granted access on a case-by-case basis after communicating with Student Development.

The following general practices should be considered normal routines for students:

- Social distancing will be maintained for staff and students, except in your assigned cohort.
- Cooperate with enhanced cleaning and disinfection in workplaces and public spaces.
- Practice frequent hand washing and sanitizing.
- Staff who demonstrate or report COVID-19 symptoms must stay at home, self-monitor for symptoms, and use the on-line Saskatchewan COVID-19 Self-Assessment Tool.
- Anyone who becomes ill will immediately self-isolate into a designated isolation space. Report flu-like illnesses to Student Development leaders.
- Use hand sanitizers located at entrances, washrooms, and high traffic areas.
- No guests are permitted in the dormitories. No outside visitors, including community students.
- Students will not be permitted to enter other dorms that are not their own.
- Students should be in the habit of walking on the right and follow floor directional markers, and signage where in place.

- Students should come with a supply of masks and be prepared to use them in designated times and places.

Student Development Personnel - Dormitory Initiatives

- Arrange shared sleeping quarters so that beds are at least 2 meters apart and head to toe where possible.
- Allow occupants a minimum of six square meters each per sleeping quarter to practice social distancing.
- Washrooms will be limited in capacity to ensure physical distancing of 2 meters. These limits will be clearly posted, and markers placed outside to ensure spacing of 2 meters in the case of a lineup.
- Campus visitors/guests are required to fill out COVID-19 Self-Declaration Form for Facility Access (see attached) and temperature checks prior to entering campus buildings. Those refusing comply or symptomatic of COVID-19 are denied access and referred to their Health Care professional.
- Information will be provided to each student by email outlining guidelines and expectations for living in this congregate setting. In this communication, it would be stated that if students are either unwilling or unable to follow these restrictions that they may reconsider living on campus. Students who, after arrival, are either unwilling or unable to follow the restrictions may be asked to leave campus.
- Custodial staff will disinfect and clean bathrooms and lounges twice per day, but high touch surfaces will be cleaned and disinfected multiple times a day by both staff and students.
- Hand sanitizer will be located at entrances and throughout the dorm.
- Where social distancing cannot be maintained, avoid in-person meetings and gatherings. Meetings may be done electronically or following Re-Open Saskatchewan social distancing requirements.
- Dorms may remain open during school breaks or accommodate students staying within Canada to decrease international travel, if needed.

Packing List (Specific to Fall 2020)

- Thermometer
- 10 reusable masks (min 2 ply) or 100 disposable masks. Face shields are not an acceptable option as a replacement to masks.
- Hand Sanitizer (2-3 small containers)
- Cleaning supplies (i.e. bathroom and sink cleaner)
 - o Applicable to Bergren & Sundbo residents.

- Personal Dish Kit (Applicable to those who plan to use dorm kitchens)
 - o Basin to hold dishes
 - o Dishes
 - o Dish soap
 - o T-towels
 - o Dish clothes

Hall capacity for fall 2020

SW 1 – 18 (capacity 37)	SW 2 – 18 (capacity 36)	SW 3 – 19 (capacity 38)
IW 1 – 16 (capacity 33)	IW 2 – 15 (capacity 31)	IW 3 – 17 (capacity 34)
SP 2 – 18 (capacity 36)	SP 3 – 18 (capacity 36)	EM 1 – 7 (capacity 14)
EM 2 – 8 (capacity 16)	Brygmann 1 – 15 (capacity 30)	Brygmann 2 – 15 (capacity 30)
BP 1 – 20 (capacity 40)	BP 2 – 19 (capacity 38)	BP 3 – 19 (capacity 38)
HH 1 – 14 (capacity 28)	HH 2 – 11 (capacity 22)	HH 3 – 13 (capacity 26)
GM 1 – 10 (capacity 20)	GM 2 – 13 (capacity 26)	
College men – Room for 108	College women – Room for 124	
BCA boys – Room for 38	BCA girls – Room for 23	



Common Space Directives

Social and Study Spaces (Capacity)

- Hildebrand Chapel (If the government restrictions allow, socially spaced at 15% usage, the Chapel could hold 375 as per our Return to Campus plan.)
- Edwards Chapel – 100 (study / social space)
- The Landing (39)
- The Den (25)
- Crossroads Café (12)
- Dining Hall (100)
- Jensen Banquet Room (15)
- Whit Common (30)
- Bergren Common (30)
- Library (100)
- Dorm Lounges, Nooks and Crannies
- The Point

Common Dorm lounges

- Limit of 30 in the Whit Common (must be booked with Student Development Office) and Bergren Place Common – social distancing must be practiced unless you are with your cohort. Posted room capacities must be observed.
- No cooking in the common lounges except if booked with your RD. Only cohorts may cook together. After each use of the kitchen, students must totally wipe down with institutional disinfectant, fridge handles, stove knobs, microwave buttons, cupboard door handles, etc.
 - o Students must bring their own dishes. No dishes will be provided.
 - o Students should not expect to use the common lounges to provide for the meals they do not eat in the cafeteria. Random use of the kitchens is not permitted. The use must be booked in advance with the RD.

Dorm Kitchens

- As in the past, dorm kitchens are NOT a replacement for meal plans.
- Dorm kitchens may be available for student use, strictly by reservation through their RD – and with clear expectations and protocols for usage and ongoing sanitation.
- Common areas such as Whit Common must still make a kitchen reservation to make use of the kitchen.

- Dorm kitchens are unstocked – see “PACKING LIST” for examples of what to bring.

Courtyard

- Up to 30 students may use the courtyard following social distancing requirements.
- Cohorts may use the courtyard freely. Two cohorts may share the space but must maintain the social distancing requirements between cohorts (5 metres).
- Indoors, cohorts must keep five meters between them.

Going for walks

- Cohorts may walk freely together.
- Non-cohort students may walk together maintaining social distancing requirements.

The Den

- The Den capacity will be one cohort, or 25 socially distanced persons.
- Students may use the Den singularly but must maintain the social distancing requirements.

COVID precautions

- All students will download the Briercrest COVID app. This app will be approved by our technical team for functionality and will follow the Saskatchewan Health criteria in its content.
- All students must check their temperature each morning before leaving their place of residence and report the temperature findings on the app
- Each hall will have a thermometer for self-monitoring. Resident leaders will keep students accountable to self-monitoring and will monitor the overall health of their respective dorms.

Social Cohorts and Athletic Teams

- A primary purpose of social cohorts to allow us to track groups of no more than 30 people. This is useful for events like booking social spaces, organizing chapels (where we have a maximum of 150 people with social distancing in place).
- Social distancing is still in place for cohorts – abiding by the same social guidelines put in place by the Saskatchewan Health Authority.
- There will naturally be multiple points of crossover between cohorts. To navigate this successfully, social distancing will need to be observed by all students.

- Social spaces and bookable spaces will be multiplied throughout the campus in order to provide increased space for socialization.
- All same sport athletes should be placed on the same hall and in the same cohort. There may be other students added to a team's cohort, but teams will be kept together.

Counselling Services

The counselling center now offers online appointments which will be made available to all students. Those students who would like to connect with a counsellor prior to their arrival on campus may do so by booking an online appointment through the counselling center.

Quarantine / Online support

Online counselling appointments will be made available to those in the quarantine dorm or those in self-isolation to manage any additional stress.

Student leaders / Staff

Health Services is offering 3 free counselling sessions during the Fall 2020 semester to our RAs & Community Life Leaders. We know that they will be faced with some extra stress and want to support them in this way. Once the three free sessions are used up, each additional session will cost the regular \$30 subsidized rate.

COMMUNICATION OF THE PLAN

- I. The full Coronavirus Plan will be available on each school's website for students and parents to see
- II. The plan will be shared institutionally on July 7, 2020
- III. A news release of this plan will be posted publicly on July 9, 2020
- IV. School web pages, eBooks and PDF copies of this plan will be published publicly on July 9, 2020
- V. A six-part webinar series will take place over the course of July 14–July 22, 2020
- VI. Updates will be made at every Employee Huddle and Faculty Senate meeting

APPENDIX 1 – LARGE SPACE CAPACITIES

SPACE	SQUARE FEET	NORMAL CAPACITY	USAGE %	SOCIALLY SPACED
Hildebrand Chapel	26,208	2500 (pews)	15%	375 (2m spacing, every other row)
Edwards Chapel	21,762	500 (chairs)	20%	100 (study space)
The Landing	11,000	396 (excludes balcony)	10%	39
The Den	3,500	98	25%	24
Crossroads Café	4,032	40	30%	12
Dining Hall	5,814	284	35%	100
Jensen Banquet Room	1,036	60	25%	15