2021-2022 Academic Year

Tips & Tricks for a Safe Return to Campus





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Let's face it, most active members have never seen a full semester of AEPi events and activities. Every member, especially the leadership, is encouraged to get caught up to speed and talk to professionals on campus, and staff or volunteers from AEPi, to learn about best practices to open up the chapter in a safe, comfortable and controllable manner. Here are some of the main points to consider when planning for a successful semester:

- 1. Set expectations of membership through membership and new member contracts to be signed by all members.
- 2. Read through all AEPi, university, local, state, and federal laws pertaining to events and update your chapter's policies to reflect those including but not limited to COVID-19 guidelines, mandatory vaccination policies, crisis management plans, registering of events policies, and general social event planning expectations.
- 3. Build a presentation or workshop to present to all chapter members. Consider adding a mandatory component to membership where members can only participate after attending a chapter-led health and safety event.
- 4. Coordinate with campus police or other emergency personnel to hold a safety or alcohol abuse prevention workshop prior to holding any social events.
- 5. Whenever possible, host events at a third party venue where trained professionals can help chapter leadership hold members accountable.
- 6. Work with your ELC to identify unique and fun ways to broaden the scope of what social events you are holding (e.g. invite dates or another organization to go ice skating, bowling, to a baseball game, hiking, etc.)
- 7. Set a goal for a certain number of members to be CPR and/or first aid certified in case of emergency.
- 8. Work with your ELC to discuss all recommendations for planning and executing events such as having a list, designated drivers, BYOB policies, bystander

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intervention, alcohol abuse prevention and more.

- 9. Create and display policies or guidelines for in-house events for all Brothers and guests to follow. This should include the Master's phone number, emergency procedures, taxi or designated driver information (or Uber/Lyft).
- 10. Put a stronger emphasis on the powers and expectations of the Judicial Board to hold members accountable inside or outside of events.

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