

Joint Councils Commitment to Virtual Recruitment & Social Moratorium (Fall 2020)

The Governing Councils of Oregon State University, representing approximately 2700 students and 45 recognized organizations on campus, appreciate the efforts made by the administration to bring students back safely to campus for the 2020-2021 Academic Year.

It is important for us as fraternity and sorority members to recognize the important roles we play in contributing to a safe learning environment. We acknowledge that as residents of Corvallis and the campus community, we cannot put anyone at greater risk when it comes to the spread of the COVID-19 virus. In an effort to ensure the safety of ourselves and others, we are committed to enforcing the directives and initiatives of our state, town, and campus. Thus, the following actions and guidelines will be established and implemented:

- 1) The laws, policies, and procedures of Oregon and Oregon Counties will continue to be enforced by our councils and chapters on and off-campus.
- 2) Greek undergraduates at Oregon State University will refrain from hosting any social get togethers that exceed any caps or restrictions set by the state or University and will avoid hosting social get togethers until it is determined that we can do so safely.
- 3) We will practice physical distancing and will be informative and educational within our community and chapters about responsible citizenship, safety measures, and public health initiatives.
- 4) We will explore and evaluate how to manage and monitor events while being innovative in developing new ways to engage with our members and campus, such as our commitment to full virtual recruitment.
- 5) We will hold our members accountable and encourage our peers across campus to follow our lead in keeping Oregon State University and the Corvallis community healthy and safe.

It's important to recognize that these rules put forth by the university and government organizations are in the spirit of protecting our community. Attempting to work around them based on technicalities, rather than following the spirit of them, will not put you in a favorable position.

In the case that these guidelines are not followed by our membership, those in violation will be referred to student conduct and their organizations will be referred to their respective council's judicial processes. Students should recognize that even on private property, whether active or alumni, they are still considered by our community as "wearing their letters", and should act accordingly. Issues will be dealt with on a case by case basis. Sanctions can range from a warning to loss of recognition based on severity.

We thank you for your leadership, compassion, and cooperation in the fight against the global pandemic. Be smart, be safe, and go Beavs!

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