On behalf of the Division of Student Affairs, I hope you and your loved ones are safe, healthy, and enjoying the summer months. I’d like to share some important information regarding integral student services and preparations for your arrival to campus this fall.

The University will resume in-person classes beginning September 8, 2020 at all campuses. We are hard at work to provide an exciting, vibrant, and engaged fall semester. As we practice social distancing, we are looking forward to being connected once again on campus.

Academic Classes and Schedule

Class will be taught in-person. Every effort is being made to maximize social distancing in academic spaces. Additional information will be shared by academic deans that may be specific to your major. Students are encouraged to check their MyLIU for any changes in their class schedule or room assignments.

Student Life

Student events, student organizations and other campus life initiatives will resume in September. Many exciting events including, outdoor movies and festivals are being planned as part of Welcome Week which will take place during the first week of classes. A complete schedule of events will be shared on the University calendar and sent via email to students.

New Student Orientation will take place on September 4, 2020 for first-year students and on September 7, 2020 for transfer and graduate students. These programs will combine virtual experiences with small in-person events and guided campus tours.

In addition, LIU will introduce a brand new EXPERIENCE | SHARK NATION platform in the fall semester that will help to provide an exciting student experience for students both in-person and virtually. Details on how to access this new application will be shared as the semester draws nearer.

Residence Life

Our Residence Halls will re-open for the fall semester and students may choose between a single, double, or suite-style accommodations. Those students who have not yet signed up for housing are encouraged to do so through their MyLIU portal.

Residence Hall Move-in will take place on September 6 & 7. Resident students who reside in impacted states should plan to arrive between August 19 - 21. LIU Promise will be sharing additional information soon on how to schedule a move-in appointment.

A complete list of altered policies and social distancing guidelines in the residence halls
will be shared by Residence Life staff shortly. However, all students should understand that social distancing and wearing a face covering will be required in all public spaces, bathrooms, and lounges.

**Dining**

Student dining and food service will be operational in the fall semester. Aramark Food Services have ensured that dining locations are properly social distanced, have installed plexiglass or other barriers to protect students, and have developed plans to account for other needs as the semester progresses.

Various changes will be made to dining locations including, seating capacity, cashless payment, delivery or pick-up options, no touch service, and others. The health and safety of our food locations is a high priority and enhanced cleaning has been put into place throughout these spaces.

**Campus Entry and Student ID**

Students and community members will be required to enter campus using a University ID. If a student does not have an ID, they are able to obtain one virtually prior to the beginning of the semester. Students should email their name, student ID number, a passport style picture, and a copy of a valid photo ID to bkn-idcard@liu.edu.

**Student Support Services**

Many University physical offices, including, Enrollment Services, LIU Promise, Athletics, Academic Affairs and Admissions have reopened and are preparing for the fall semester. We encourage you to reach out via phone, email, or Zoom to speak with a member of our team.

Led by our Division of Student Affairs and Center for Healthy Living, services for student health and counseling are available. Students who have health-related concerns or would like to speak with a mental health counselor or nutritionist, are encouraged to reach out for assistance.

The Shark Shuttle at Post Campus will resume operation with proper social distancing and enhanced cleaning.

**Health and Safety Guidelines**

All Long Island University students will be required to conduct an initial screening prior to returning to campus through the online [LIU COVID-19 Self-Check](https://www.liu.edu). Periodic screenings will continue throughout the semester and as needed.

All campus spaces have been reconfigured to allow for social distancing. In accordance with state and CDC guidelines, students and community members will be required to practice social distancing while on-campus. This includes maintaining 6-feet distance from others and wearing a face covering when social distancing is not possible. Students will be expected to follow policies set forth by New York State and the University.
The University began an aggressive cleaning campaign during the initial stages of the pandemic in January 2020 and this program will be continued into the upcoming academic year. All public spaces, including, classrooms, hallways, bathrooms, lounges, offices, and entry ways will be cleaned regularly in accordance with CDC and State guidelines.

We will continue to share information as we get closer to the beginning of the semester. Your health and safety is at the forefront of everything we do and every measure has put into place to safeguard your health. By practicing proper social distancing, wearing face coverings, and respecting one another, I am confident that we will overcome this challenge and have a successful academic year.

You can find additional information regarding the University re-opening plan at www.liu.edu/reopening-liu. Please reach out to me at deanofstudents@liu.edu if I can answer any questions.

I have been inspired by your resilience over the last few months. I am delighted and energized knowing that our Shark Family will reunite in a few short weeks.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Michael Berthel
Executive Dean of Students

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