Campus Events and Guest Guidelines

Finding a way to live humanely together during a pandemic is new to all of us. Community is important to us, and finding a balance between health and connection will require us to set priorities, which are:

1. Advancing the mission of the College: to educate young men to think critically, act responsibly, lead effectively, and live humanely.
2. Promoting health on campus.

How this looks in Residential Life, Advancement, Admissions, Athletics, and Academics is very different, so a “one size fits all” approach will not meet our needs. Instead, we should focus our resources and efforts on:

1. Activities with pedagogical value or that are organized by and for Wabash students.
2. Activities that promote the health and well-being of our students, faculty, and staff.
3. Official College business that cannot be conducted virtually.

Guidelines for On-Campus Events:

- Campus events should be held virtually to the extent possible
- Campus events should be held outside when virtual is not possible.
- Avoid close and crowded indoor events, especially in spaces with poor ventilation.
- Limit close contact (under six feet for more than 15 minutes) with others.
- Use safety precautions like making hand sanitizer available, requiring masks, etc.
- Limit the number of and contact with guests.
- Food service is discouraged at campus events.
- Attendance tracking is required for events with more than 10 people (name, cell phone number, and date and time of arrival and departure).

Process for Approval of On-Campus Events:

- Student events must go through and be approved by Beth Warner, and should be submitted through the Presence app, which will be finalized with Violet Benge.
- Academic events must be submitted through Violet Benge.

Definition of Campus Guests:

Guests are individuals who are not participating in Wabash’s daily health symptom monitoring program. Guests should be limited as much as possible, and mechanisms for guests to participate virtually should be prioritized (if they are necessary). Faculty and staff hosts should record the name, phone number, and date and time of their guests’ visit; students should report the same information to their RA or fraternity president or risk manager.