

# **WKU Athletics Restart Plan Addendum**

## Changes to Initial Plan

1.) WKU Athletics changed its Academics section with a minor update to its summer plans for the Student-Athlete Success Center. After originally saying the SASC wouldn't be open in the summer, the plan was updated to note that the office opened in June, but all support services (tutoring, mentoring, study hall) will continue to be conducted via Zoom. However, some student-athletes will need to use the computer lab in order to complete their work for summer school. Any sort of computer lab use, academic tutoring, study hall or other activities would fall under the medical and facility guidelines previously mentioned in the restart document.

2.) WKU Athletics' initial plan left a vacancy for quarantine care/isolation plans as dictated by university policy. The updated plan will note that all contacts received by the university that indicate a potential exposure to COVID-19 will be immediately referred to the applicable public health agencies for direction or assumption of case management.

Immediate actions to isolate individuals will be implemented either through the university for persons residing in Housing and Residence Life (HRL) residence halls or apartments, or by public health for all persons residing off campus. Quarantine spaces have been designated and approved by public health on campus and will remain at the ready in the event that active cases develop. Inquiries regarding contact tracing, case management, reporting, and quarantine protocols should be directed to the appropriate Healthy at Work Officers.

## Parts of Plan that Will Not Change at This Time

1.) The bulk of feedback related to Athletics after the initial plan submission was related to logistics for sports in the fall – particularly in the areas of event management on campus, tailgating, screening of visiting teams and travel.

At this time, the primary focus for the WKU Athletics Restart Committee is to safely and efficiently bring student-athletes and staff back to campus this summer in a gradual progression, working toward in-person instruction in the fall and the playing of fall sports as scheduled.

The WKU Athletics Restart Committee has developed a subcommittee that will work through the concerns mentioned above as more direction and guidance becomes available from the NCAA, Conference USA, government entities, and medical direction at the local, regional and national levels. That information will be released in the coming weeks and months when appropriate and available.

2.) The feedback for Athletics' restart also mentioned WKU's initial plan to not require COVID-19 testing as a requirement for the restart of activities. Student-athletes and staff have begun returning to campus without any issues to this point. Any student-athlete and staff member who has requested a test has been aided in receiving one with our medical resources in Bowling Green. While it is still currently not Athletics' plan to require testing, the department continues to monitor this closely and have conversations with its medical directors on a daily basis. Their constant guidance will dictate any evolutions in WKU's testing protocols moving forward.