Auburn Greek Community Leaders,

Today Auburn University distributed communication regarding the university’s plan for students after Spring Break.


For the most up-to-date information regarding our plans and preparedness in addressing these challenges, please go to the special website we have established: https://ocm.auburn.edu/news/coronavirus/.

Regular updates and information from the University will be available on the Auburn University website: http://www.auburn.edu/

This announcement will probably result in questions for your membership about next steps. Here are some recommendations to help you manage the next few weeks:

Facilities:
- Questions about housing for students living in University housing facilities should be directed to housing@auburn.edu.
- For IFC chapters with on-campus fraternity facilities:
  - Greek Life has been asked to treat on-campus fraternity houses in the same manner as University residence halls, and these should be closed through April 10th.
  - Your membership will not be able to return to their facility during this transitional period.
  - Greek Life will be working directly with your chapter’s house corporation board and advisory leadership to identify a process to assist students needing collect any belongings they will need during the transitional period.
- For Panhellenic students and chapters in University Housing facilities:
  - Students living on campus will receive communication from University Housing with information about residence hall procedures for collecting their belongings for the transition to online instruction.
  - Chapter room access will be coordinated through University Housing, and all belongings needed for the transition should be collected in accordance with the communication sent by University Housing.
- Additional questions about Greek housing should be directed to Greek@auburn.edu.

Chapter Events
- Chapter programs and events: these events should be cancelled or rescheduled, including but not limited to chapter meetings, philanthropy events, and social events hosted on or off campus.
  - Council events and programs will be rescheduled or hosted virtually. Your chapter presidents and council delegates will be notified about specific expectations.
- Meetings: You may want to consider various virtual or web-based meeting platforms for your exec meetings, new member education meetings, etc. and shifting to a “paper meeting” for chapter meeting. Below are resources about maximizing the effectiveness of virtual meetings. (Greek Life recommends integrating Zoom as a platform for meetings as it is supported by Auburn)
  - All Auburn Students have access to Zoom through AU Access.
  - 10 Tips and Tricks to hosting better remote meetings through Zoom
  - Learn about Zoom Here
  - Zoom FAQ
- Chapter On/Off Campus Events: As was stated in the announcement, all university events are cancelled through April 10th, and we have been asked that all student organization events align with this decision. The reason for this decision is to reduce the risk of transmission and provide an opportunity for those who are sick to self-isolate. Review your contracts with vendors to accommodate rescheduled or cancelling events without financial repercussions to the chapter. If you have registered an event through the Campus Event Planning System (CEPS) your event has been cancelled during this time.

Greek Life staff will be working normal hours (M-F 7:45am-4:45pm) during this period. We will be available to answer questions and provide support to chapter officers, advisors, and house corporation members.
Meetings with Greek Life staff will take place either remotely by video conference or by phone. In person meetings will not be available during this time period. Your council advisor will reach out to students with scheduled meetings as well as to set up future meetings.

Auburn’s COVID-19 information page will be updated daily.