

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

The Government has given all colleges the go ahead to re-open from September and, as long as there's no further lockdown, we're really looking forward to welcoming your child to Peterborough College.

Your child's health, safety and well-being are our number one priority so a lot of hard work has gone into getting our campuses ready. We've put a wide range of safety and social distancing measures in place to provide a safe and compliant environment and minimise any risk to both your child and our staff. Ahead of your child coming into college in September, there is some useful information on <https://www.peterborough.ac.uk/coronavirus> along with access to our guide to keeping every student safe <https://www.peterborough.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/ready-to-come-to-college-september.pdf>

We plan for a full reopening from w/c 7th September. However, with safety a top priority, we will be operating a campus with only 50% capacity each day supported by increased use of online delivery. Access to either a Tablet, Chromebook, laptop, PC or Mac will be essential to enable your child to engage in online learning and make the expected progress.

As part of the pre-enrolment process your child will have highlighted to us the technology and internet access they currently have available to them. If they already have their own computer, laptop, etc we will help them to set this up with all the required software for their specific course for classroom and online learning, this will include specialist software. Arrangements to access this will be made by their course leaders.

We are developing a Mobile Technology Scheme for those who meet the requirements for financial help, providing your child with the right technology for their course. We are also able to loan some equipment out to students if needed, on receipt of a deposit. A lease scheme will also be available for students wishing to purchase a device. Because of the pandemic, and the huge increase in demand for devices this summer it is expected that the equipment will be available at the end of the first term. Further details on the various Mobile Technology Schemes will be published during the first term.

At all times we will be following the latest government guidance on the ongoing pandemic and its implications for education. All students will be expected to follow the new changes to ensure their safety and the safety of fellow students and staff. Please find below a summary of the revised operational practices in response to government guidance relating to Covid-19.

We understand some students will be worried or anxious about returning to college and we hope that you feel reassured by the measures the College has implemented to provide a safe working environment enabling them to return to college as safely as possible. Should you need further information relating to the reopening of the College please access the college website <https://www.peterborough.ac.uk/>

Should you have any further concerns or questions about your son/daughter returning back to college please contact:

Kind regards



1. Is your journey necessary?

Before you travel you should consider whether your journey is necessary. You can reduce pressure on the public transport system and road network by:



Working from home



Shopping locally and less frequently



Walking and cycling

2. Plan your journey



Plan ahead and use a direct route



Can you travel off-peak?



Take hand sanitiser and a face covering, if you can



If you require assistance you should continue to request this as you normally would



Wash or sanitise your hands before beginning your journey

3. On your journey



Maintain 2 metre distance where possible



Use a face covering, if you can, when you will be close to others



Use contactless payment where possible



Be patient and follow instructions from transport staff



Wash or sanitise your hands as frequently as possible

4. Completing your journey

When finishing your journey, you should:



Follow guidance at your destination



Walk and cycle from public transport to your destination, where possible



Wash or sanitise your hands as soon as possible

STAY ALERT > CONTROL THE VIRUS > SAVE LIVES

For further information visit www.gov.uk/coronavirus