RETURN TO CAMPUS FROM WINTER BREAK:

- All student-athletes will be required to provide a negative COVID-19 PCR test result upon return to campus for Spring semester. The test must be taken within 72 hours of the first day of practice. No one may begin participating in team activities until negative a test result has been provided to and processed by the Athletic Training Office.
- All teams must institute a five-day acclimatization period upon beginning Spring practices. This five-day period will mirror Phase 1 criteria from the Fall Resocialization Plan, including universal mask wearing at practices and functional practice groups of five student-athletes (with possible extension to eight to accommodate roommates).
- Masks are mandatory to be worn at all practices throughout the spring semester.

GENERAL TRAVEL PROTOCOL:

- If any one member of either team on the day of the game or match exhibits COVID-19-like symptoms, including but not limited to failing pre-competition temperature or symptom screening, the contest will be canceled.
- Student-athletes and coaches should carry sanitization wipes and sprays to clean high-contact surface areas upon arriving to the locker room.
- Teams should avoid eating in restaurants and congregating in other high-traffic areas, opting instead for take-out or delivery dining options.
- If staff or student-athletes develop symptoms at any time on the road, this should be immediately reported to the team’s athletic trainer, sport administrator and Dr. Hugo Salazar.

BUS SAFETY:

- All patrons, including drivers, are required to wear masks at all times on the bus.
- Bus capacity will be limited to allow for social distancing. The first row behind the driver must be left empty. Team seating charts will vary by sport.

For teams with higher roster sizes, roommates can be paired next to each other due to their inherent existing level of shared exposure.

- Baseball (34-person travel party):
- Men’s Basketball (18-person travel party): Seated one (1) per row.
- Women’s Basketball (14 to 16-person travel party): Seated one (1) per row
- Men’s Golf (6-person travel party)
- Women’s Golf (6-person travel party)
- Men’s Soccer (22 to 24-person travel party)
- Women’s Soccer (20-person travel party)
- Softball (27-person travel party)
- Men’s Tennis (13-person travel party)
- Women’s Tennis (13-person travel party)
Volleyball (16-person travel party)

*Numbers do not account for the bus driver*

- In the event a member of the travel party develops COVID-19 symptoms or tests positive for COVID-19, the symptomatic or sick individual will be quarantined in the back of the bus with a protective plastic drape enclosing his/her seating area, and the team will be immediately bussed back to San Antonio. Two rows of seating in front of the symptomatic/sick individual should be left empty for proper social distancing. In the event this creates limited seating for the remainder of the patrons, roommates can be paired next to each other.

The symptomatic/sick individual will also be provided a medical-grade N95 mask for added protection against spreading the virus.

- For patrons’ safety, the Rattler Bus is being equipped with a MERV 8 filter and Puradigm active cleaning technology. These mechanisms work in conjunction toward providing air and surface purification and filtration. The Rattler Bus will also be given a deep interior clean immediately following each road trip. We have also partnered with a new bus company, OK Tours, whose buses are thoroughly cleaned and require their drivers to wear masks throughout the duration of the commute.

**HOTEL:**

- Teams should sleep no more than one (1) to a bed and no more than three (3) to a room.
- Student-athletes and coaches should carry sanitization wipes and sprays to clean high-contact surface areas upon arrival to hotel room.
- It is highly recommended that masks are worn while at the hotel, including when individuals are in their rooms around each other.

**BASKETBALL GAME DAY OPERATIONS:**

- Spectators will not be permitted inside Bill Greehey Arena. However, games can be viewed via the Lone Star Conference Digital Network at [https://www.lonestarconferencenetwork.com/stmu/](https://www.lonestarconferencenetwork.com/stmu/).

Fans will be able to purchase a $10 daily pass that will give them access to all volleyball and basketball contests on the network that day as well as access to previously aired games from the current season for 24 hours. In addition to live and archived streaming options, viewers will have the option to purchase and download games from the 2020-21 season for $10 each.
• Masks must be worn by all participants and coaches on the bench and in the locker room at all times.
• The home team will enter Bill Greehey Arena through the front doors adjacent to Lot T, and the visiting team will enter the arena through the back doors adjacent to Alumni Hill and the Sarita Kenedy East Law Library. The visiting bus may remain parked in the designated parking area throughout the duration of the contest. A campus map is available online at https://www.stmarytx.edu/map.
• An athletic trainer and/or trained administrator will conduct COVID-19 screening of visiting teams and be responsible for identifying members of the travel party or game day operations staff who may have symptoms of COVID-19 and report any failed screenings to the visiting institution. Screenings will take place the first time a team enters the arena on game day, be it for shootaround or for pre-game warmups, no later than two hours prior to the start of the game. In the event a team foregoes its warmup and shootaround practices, the screening would take place upon the team’s arrival for the game.
• Two infrared thermometers will be made available at each competition site, with one being used for screening and the other available in case of malfunction. In addition, an oral thermometer will also be on hand.
• Only members of the travel party and game operations staff who log temperatures under 100.0 degrees during the screening process will be permitted inside the competition venue. A failed first test with the infrared thermometer will result in a second test with the infrared thermometer following a 10-minute cool-off period. In the event the individual fails both screenings, a third test will be conducted with an oral thermometer following another 10-minute cool-off period.
• Members of the travel party must also submit their Lone Star Conference COVID-19 Screening Form via Google Forms prior to arrival to the facility for the screening process. These questionnaires will be used as a tool in addition to the temperature check by the administrator approving access into the game venue.
• Any member who fails Phases 1 or 2 of the screening process will be placed in an isolation area while awaiting additional phases of the screening process. For the home team, the isolation area will be in the front corridor of Bill Greehey Arena. For the visiting team, the isolation area will be a storage room adjacent to the back entrance.
• If any member of the visiting travel party fails the entire screening process, or if a positive COVID-19 result is reported among the visiting or home team during the 72-hour period leading to the start of the game, the competition will be canceled, deemed a no-contest and looked to be rescheduled. The competition will also be canceled if any member of the home team develops COVID-19-like symptoms on game day.
• A satellite athletic training table will be set up outside the visiting locker room to ensure continued social distance between teams during the pre-game process. Ice will be provided.
• Saturday shootaround times will be designated as such:
  o 8-9 a.m.: Visiting women’s team
• Officials and game day staff will receive their screening, temperature checks and COVID-19 tests at the front-door entrance adjacent to Lot T. Game day staff will be expected to fill out a COVID-19 symptoms screening form and have the option of presenting an off-site negative test.

• A pre-game prayer and moment of reflection will be played prior to the national anthem after the game clock hits 00:00. This will be played prior to only the first game of a doubleheader.

• Two racks of eight (8) balls apiece will be made available to each team, with a minimum of three (3) balls designated solely for game usage.

• For doubleheaders, the team entering the arena for Game 2 may enter the arena during Game 1. The team is permitted to sit socially distanced with masks on in the stands while awaiting warmups.

• Locker rooms, bench seating and other high-touch surface areas will be sanitized and cleaned between doubleheaders.

• The sideline seating areas will be pushed in to allow for maximized court space for social-distancing purposes. The end zone bleachers will remain out during game play.

• Visiting teams are encouraged to come dressed to the game. All teams are encouraged to limit locker-room access when possible, having players enter in tiers to prevent the locker room from being used as a hang-out space.

• For visiting women’s and men’s teams that might be traveling together, a list of food delivery options will be provided so the women’s team can remain in the arena during the men’s game.

• If a St. Mary’s staff member who is designated as a Tier 2 individual misses testing, a negative test must still be provided before that individual will be allowed to work or attend the game. The staff member would be responsible for setting up an appointment with Head Athletic Trainer Brittany Davis for a date and time to conduct antigen testing.

• St. Mary’s student-athletes are prohibited from congregating with family and friends after games (home or away).

• The sideline seating areas will be pushed in to allow for maximized court space for social-distancing purposes. The end zone bleachers will remain out during game play.

• Bench seats will be arranged 6 feet apart to maintain social distancing. Chairs are not to be moved during timeouts.

• Teams are responsible for bringing their own timeout seating.

• Bench seating and other high-touch surface areas will be sanitized and cleaned between doubleheaders.