The University at Buffalo Recreation Services
Reopening Plan
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REOPENING UPDATES

The Recreation Department Alumni Arena is open with limited access, modified programs, services and hours of operation. The following programs and services will be offered during the hours of 7:00 AM – 8:00 PM, Monday – Friday until further notice:

- REC Academic Classes (Online)
- Virtual On-Demand Fitness Classes
- Outdoor Group Fitness Classes
- Intramural Sports: E-Sports, Darts, Badminton, and Table Tennis
- Intramural Tournaments: Cornhole, Darts
- Alumni Arena Racquetball (By Reservation)
- Open Swim, Swim Lessons and Swim Classes
- Lifeguard Certification Training
- CPR/AED Certification Training
- Ellicott Tennis Courts
- Outdoor Fields: Kunz Field and Track, Rotary Field

For a detailed schedule visit our website at www.buffalo.edu/recreation.

Fitness Centers:

The fitness centers will remain CLOSED as we work towards meeting the NYS guidelines set by the governor’s office that must be met prior to re-opening our fitness facilities and gyms. We are working with the Environmental Health and Safety department to identify solutions to the MERV-13 requirements. Once those guidelines are met we will reopen our fitness facilities.

Clark Hall:

Clark Hall will remain closed for general use (with the exception of REC Academic classes, CPR/AED training and swim lessons) as we work towards meeting the NYS guidelines set by the governor’s office that must be met prior to re-opening our fitness facilities and gyms. We are working with the Environmental Health and Safety department to identify solutions to the MERV-13 requirements. Once those guidelines are met we will reopen Clark Hall fitness facilities.
REOPENING SAFETY PROTOCOL

To ensure compliance with New York State and the University at Buffalo guidelines, the following safety protocols will be in effect for the reopening of the Recreation Department in Alumni Arena and Clark Hall.

General Safety Protocol:

- Patrons and staff will be required to complete the UB daily health verification and/or Lifelink daily check prior to entering the Recreation facilities or participate in programming.
- Per UB COVID guidelines, all staff and patrons must wear a facemask at all times while in indoor public spaces and outdoors.
- Physical distancing at a minimum of 6 feet should be adhered to at all times.
- Per the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), staff and patrons should practice proper hygiene including frequent handwashing for at least 20 seconds with soap and water or hand sanitizer (60% minimum alcohol) after touching high traffic surfaces, touching mask and before/after eating or drinking. Hand sanitizing stations are located throughout the facilities.
- Equipment will be spaced to accommodate physical distancing (at least 6 feet between people/equipment). Facility layouts may be modified, use of equipment may be limited, and additional rooms/locations may be used to space equipment where possible.
- Facility occupancy limits will be established on a continuous basis according to University, local, state and CDC guidelines to accommodate physical distancing.

Cleaning Safety Protocols:

- Cleaning and disinfecting schedules will be maintained with heightened cleaning schedules for high-touch public equipment and areas. Facilities may be closed at various times of the day to clean and disinfect.
- Patrons will clean and disinfect equipment before and after each use.
- Disinfectant wipes and cleaning solution is available in all high traffic areas.
- Intramural Sport equipment will be cleaned after each use.
WHO HAS ACCESS

Due to limited facility capacities, we are limiting access to recreation programs and services to accommodate our students until further notice. The list below outlines who has access to Recreation programs and services.

**Students:**
- Current UB students will have access to all recreation programs and services.

**Faculty/Staff:**
- Due to limited space capacities, we are suspending free faculty/staff hours.
- Current UB faculty and staff will have access to Recreation services beginning **September 14, 2020** with the purchase of a monthly membership pass. If you have an outstanding membership, you can request a prorated refund of the unused portion of your membership. (see memberships page for information about memberships and refunds)

**Community Members:**
- Due to limited space capacities, we are suspending community member access to recreation fitness programs and services.
- If you have an outstanding membership, you can request a prorated refund of the unused portion of your membership. (see memberships page for information about memberships and refunds)
- Community members will have access to swim lessons, lifeguard certification classes and CPR/AED certification classes.
Recreation programming will be scheduled in Alumni Arena during the hours of 7:00 AM – 8:00 PM. Operation hours are subject to change and based on available staffing. For an updated recreation schedule and announcements, visit our website at www.buffalo.edu/recreation.

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Clark Hall will remain closed for general use until further notice with the exception of REC Academic classes, CPR/AED training and swim lessons.

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Kunz Field Rules

- Kunz Field open recreation hours are reserved for current UB students only. All users must be able to provide current UB identification upon request. Non-UB students are prohibited to use the space without proper permit.
- All patrons are required to complete the UB daily health verification and/or Lifelink daily check prior to entering Kunz Field and must be able to present daily verification or you will be asked to leave the facility.
- **All patrons are required to wear a facemask at all times**, during all activities while in outdoor spaces as per UB COVID policies.
- All Patrons must maintain social distancing and stay a minimum of 6ft apart and at all times even during physical activity. No congregating after playing.
- Entry is prohibited when the facility is closed. Violators are considered trespassing and will be asked to leave.
- In case of an emergency call 645-2222 (UBPD)
- No extra-curricular or social activities are allowed on Kunz Field. All patrons should leave the facility immediate after workout.
- Violators of any of the above rules/policies may result in UBPD removal.

Ellicott Tennis Court Rules

- Ellicott Tennis Courts’ open recreation hours are reserved for current UB students only. All users must be able to provide current UB identification upon request. Non-UB students are prohibited to use the space without proper permit.
- All patrons are required to complete the UB daily health verification and/or Lifelink daily check prior to entering tennis courts and must be able to present daily verification or you will be asked to leave the facility.
- **All patrons are required to wear a facemask at all times**, during all activities while in outdoor spaces as per UB COVID policies.
• All Patrons must maintain social distancing and stay a minimum of 6ft apart and at all times even during physical activity. No congregating after playing.
• Entry is prohibited when the facility is closed. Violators are considered trespassing and will be asked to leave.
• In case of an emergency call 645-2222 (UBPD)
• Violators of any of the above rules/policies may result in UBPD removal.
  o Preparing to play
    ▪ Wash hands before going to the court, soap or sanitizer
    ▪ Do not share racquets or any other equipment
    ▪ Bring a full bottle of water and your own towel
    ▪ Avoid touching court gates, fences, benches, etc.
  o When playing
    ▪ Singles play ONLY
    ▪ Stay six feet apart from other players; do not make physical contact with anyone.
    ▪ Avoid touching face after handling equipment.
    ▪ Use racquet/foot to pick up balls and hit them to your opponent. Avoid using your hands to pick up balls.
    ▪ Stay on your side of the court. Avoid changing ends of the court.
    ▪ Remain apart from other players when taking breaks.
    ▪ If a call from another court comes to you, send it back with a kick or with your racquet.
  o After playing
    ▪ Leave the court as soon as reassembly possible. All players should leave the facility immediately after play.
    ▪ Wash hands or sanitize after coming off court
    ▪ No extra-curricular or social activity should take place.
MEMBERSHIPS/REFUNDS

Memberships

- Due to capacity limitations, we are suspending community memberships, annual, semester and day/guest pass membership options until further notice.

- UB Faculty/Staff will be eligible to purchase monthly membership passes beginning September 14, 2020.

Refunds

Due to the closure of the University at Buffalo Recreation center related to COVID-19, we will be issuing prorated refunds for memberships purchased. Refunds will be issued in the purchase method of payment. If you paid by credit card, your refund will be issued back to your credit card, if you paid by check, you will be issued a check and if you paid by campus cash, you will be refunded by campus cash.

To request a refund, visit our website at www.buffalo.edu/recreation to complete a refund request form. Refund request forms will be available beginning on September 1, 2020. **You will not automatically be refunded**, you must submit the refund request form by the due date to be considered. **The deadline to request refunds is 11/30/2020. No refunds will be issued after this date.**

For more information about refunds contact Jennifer Dynas at jdynas@buffalo.edu or call Member Services at 645-2286.
The following facilities will be open:

- Alumni Arena Dance Studio
- Alumni Arena Member Services
- Alumni Arena Pool
- Alumni Arena Racquetball Courts (By Reservation)
- Ellicott Tennis Courts
- Kunz Field and Track

The following programs and services will be open:

- Alumni Arena Open Swim
- Bulls Team Shop (Merchandise purchases available by request in Member Services)
- CPR/AED Certifications
- Intramural Sports Leagues (Badminton, Darts, ESports and Table Tennis)
- Intramural Sports Tournaments (Cornhole)
- Lifeguard Certification Training
- REC Academic Classes (Online)
- Scheduled Outdoor Group Fitness Classes
- Swim Lessons
- Virtual Group Fitness – On Demand
- Virtual Rec Website

We will review and update facility and program offerings and closures per New York State and University safety protocols and guidelines.
CLOSED FACILITIES, PROGRAMS & SERVICES

The following facilities will be closed until further notice:

- Alumni Arena Fitness Center
- Alumni Arena Pro Shop
- Alumni Arena Yoga Room
- General Locker Rooms
- Indoor Cycling Room
- Indoor Jogging Track
- Saunas and Steam Rooms
- Clark Hall
- Clark Hall Boxing Room
- Clark Hall Wrestling Room

The following programs and services will be closed until further notice:

- Equipment Rentals
- Community Memberships, Guest Passes/Day Passes
- Indoor Cycling
- Personal Training and Small Group Training
- Pick-up Basketball, Volleyball, Soccer
- Towel Service

We will review and update facility and program offerings and closures per New York State and University safety protocols and guidelines.
Beginning August 31st, 2020, Academic Courses and Group Fitness Classes will be open Monday through Friday. *Schedule TBD*

The programs and services we will offer include Group Fitness on Demand, REC academic classes and scheduled outdoor group fitness classes (weather permitting.)

Some facilities, services and programs will not be available and they include Personal Training, Indoor Cycling, Yoga Room usage and Small Group Training.

**Dance Studio Procedures:**

- The Alumni Arena dance studio will be locked outside of schedule academic class usage
- High touch surfaces will be cleaning before and after each class by staff, using EPA registered solution to deactivate COVID-19 virus
- The capacity of the Alumni Arena Dance studio will be reduced to 60% (21 persons) to allow for social distancing of 6 feet
- Hand sanitizer will be available at the entrance to the Dance Studio
- The entrance and exit will be clearing marked with social distancing markers at entrance
- All equipment in the Dance Studio will be stored in locked closet; equipment will not be used for academic classes

**The following Safety procedures are being implemented:**

**Staff & Patron Safety**

- As per UB COVID guidelines, all staff and patrons must wear a facemask at all times (indoor public spaces and outdoors) and social distance at a minimum of 6 feet
- As per the CDC, staff and patrons should practice proper hygiene including frequent handwashing for 20 seconds with soap and water or hand sanitizer (60% minimum alcohol) after touching high traffic surfaces, touching mask and before/after eating/drinking
- Patrons and staff will be required to complete UB health screening prior to entering Recreation facilities or programming

We will utilize the green areas outside of the Alumni Arena, Lake LaSalle and Kunz Field and Track for REC academic classes and group fitness classes.
Beginning August 31st, 2020, our Aquatic facilities on both campuses will reopen.

The Clark Hall Pool on South Campus will be reserved for academic classes, as well as other aquatic classes, swim lessons, as well as other programming and facility rentals.

The Alumni Arena facility will host academic classes, recreation swim, as well as other aquatic classes, as well as other programming and facility rentals. UB Swim Club will resume, while Club Water Polo is currently still on pause.

The following Safety procedures are being implemented:

**Staff Safety**

- Lifeguards and Aquatic Staff will wear face coverings at all times, *except when actively scanning the pool*.
- Aquatic staff will send their daily health verification response to the Aquatics Director before reporting for each shift.
- UB Students, Faculty, and Staff will present their daily health verification response and their ID before using the pool.
- Rental groups will manage their own group’s daily health verification, and will provide a daily log to the Aquatics Director.

**Patron Safety**

- Coaches, staff, and other pool users will wear face coverings *when not in the water*, and maintain appropriate distancing on deck.
- Spectators will not be in the facility at this time to discourage crowds and maintain social distancing.

**Locker Rooms**

- All pool users will continue to shower prior to pool usage.
- The Faculty/Staff Locker rooms at Alumni Arena will be used for a changing space and showers prior to use of the pool, when the main locker rooms are closed. Personal items will be stored on the pool bleachers.
- The main locker rooms will be used at Clark Hall for a changing space and showering prior to use of the pool. Personal items will be stored in the designated areas on the Clark Pool deck.

**Space Occupancy**

- Clark Pool: 15
- Alumni Arena Natatorium 76

All aquatic equipment will be cleaned by staff in between shifts, and at the end of each day.
INFORMAL RECREATION

Beginning August 31st, 2020, Informal Recreation at Alumni Arena will be open Monday through Friday between the hours of 7am-6pm (see hours of operation for specific timings.)

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The programs and services offered include: open swim, racquetball*, outdoor activities including group fitness classes, Ellicott tennis courts, Kunz field and outdoor track and rotary field on South campus.

*Racquetball reservation can be made starting at 10:00am. Racquetball reservation can be made by calling Member Services no earlier than two days prior to your desired date/time. Participants must have their own racquetball racquet and ball.

The following programs and services will not be available at this time: community memberships, guest passes (day passes,) indoor jogging track, locker rooms, sauna/steam room, towel rental, equipment rental/Pro Shop including: basketballs, volleyballs, soccer balls, badminton racquets, footballs, tennis racquets and balls, racquetball racquets and balls, jump ropes.

The following open rec sports activities will NOT be available: basketball, volleyball, and soccer.

The following Safety procedures are being implemented:

Staff Safety
- Employees must wear face masks when physical distancing cannot be reasonably maintained (at least 6 feet between people/equipment)
- Encourage customers to use touchless payment options whenever possible
- Facilities may be closed at various times of the day to increase environmental cleaning and disinfection.

Patron Safety
- Members are to wear face masks during all indoor and outdoor activities and physical distance at least 6 feet between people/equipment at all times inside Alumni Arena and in outdoor spaces.
- Members will adhere to UB Rec guidelines and safety plans

For questions or reservations call our Member Services line at (716) 645-2286.
INTRAMURAL SPORTS

Beginning August 31st, 2020, Intramural Sports will be open Monday through Friday from 5pm-8pm (see hours of operation for specific timings.)

The sports and programs we will offer include leagues in table tennis, badminton, darts and E-sports. We will also offer tournaments for corn hole and darts.

**Team sports will not be offered.**

The following **Safety procedures are being implemented:**

**Staff Safety**
- Staff will wear face coverings at all times in Alumni Arena
- Staff will ask Recreation Health Screening questions to participants before Intramural contests

**Patron Safety**
- Participants will wear face coverings at all times in Alumni Arena
- There will be no sharing of equipment - each person will have their own equipment to use
- Spectators will not be allowed during Intramural contests to discourage crowds and maintain social distancing

**Space Occupancy**
- Dance Studio: 18
- Ed Wright Practice Facility: 50

All Intramural equipment will be cleaned by staff at the end of each match as well as the conclusion of the day.