



## FALL 2020 CHAPTER OPERATIONS AND EVENT EXPECTATIONS

Gamma Phi Beta has been monitoring the impact of COVID-19 on campus and chapter operations for fall 2020. This resource is intended to help chapters plan for fall operations based on the Sorority's expectations.

### Social Events

**Eliminate in-person social events for fall 2020.** Most local health departments are preventing events of a certain size. As a result, it's unlikely that our chapters will be able to host any large-scale social events. If your local health department and college/university campus are allowing for large events, you must obtain special permission from your chapter services manager.

### Philanthropy Events

**Eliminate in-person philanthropy events for fall 2020.** Most local health departments are preventing events of a certain size. As a result, it's unlikely that our chapters will be able to host any large philanthropy events. If your local health department and college/university campus are allowing for large events, you must obtain special permission from your chapter services manager.

### Chapter Meetings

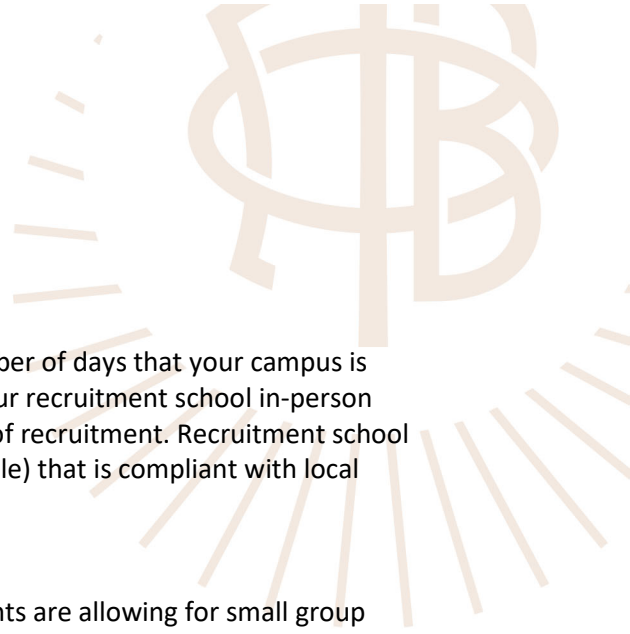
**Plan to have chapter meetings virtually.** Most local health departments are preventing events of a certain size. As a result, it's unlikely that our chapters will be able to host any large meetings. If your local health department and college/university campus are allowing for large events, you must obtain special permission from your chapter services manager.

### Sisterhood and Chapter Events

**Plan to host sisterhood events in Loyalty Circles.** Most local health departments are allowing for small group gatherings. As such, chapters should plan to host sisterhood events in Loyalty Circles or in a small group (less than 25 people) that is compliant with local guidance and allows for social distancing. If your local health department and college/university campus are allowing for large events, you must obtain special permission from your chapter services manager.

### Bid Day

**We recommend that all chapters plan virtual bid days.** For chapter's that want to hold in-person bid day, activities should be done in small groups that is compliant with local guidance and allows for social distancing. If your Bid Day activities will exceed 25 and your local health department and college/university campus are allowing for large events, you must obtain special permission from your chapter services manager.



### **Recruitment School**

In-person recruitment school should only be scheduled for the number of days that your campus is having in-person rounds. The rest should be conducted virtually. Your recruitment school in-person schedule should only be one day to work on the in-person logistics of recruitment. Recruitment school in-person events should be done in a small group (less than 25 people) that is compliant with local guidance and allows for social distancing.

### **Initiation Events**

**Plan to host Initiation in small groups.** Most local health departments are allowing for small group gatherings. As such, chapters should plan to host multiple Initiation services in a group less than 25 that is compliant with local guidance. Members should engage in social distancing during Initiation and minimize interpersonal contact throughout the service. Chapters should sanitize space between each Initiation service. For chapters that can't safely host or are prohibited from hosting an in-person Initiation, a virtual option is available. Visit the Preparing for Fall section of the Gamma Phi Beta [website](#) for more information on scheduling virtual initiation.

### **Requesting Special Permission for In-Person Events**

Please email your chapter services manager at least two weeks in advance requesting an exception and complete the Fall 2020 In-Person Event Exception Form. This form will help determine if events can be hosted. Requests submitted with less than two weeks are not guaranteed to be reviewed in time, and thus should not occur.