



Updated Pilgrim's Promise

Our campus, our country, and our world are all facing a global pandemic. There is nothing normal about life during COVID-19. And yet we are determined to continue the teaching and learning that takes place at New England College. This decision represents our desire to make progress in our educational journey. We are pilgrims navigating strange times but committed to rejoining our classmates, faculty, staff and community members in Henniker and Manchester. To do this, we must commit to changes that will keep us all safe and reassure those with whom we live, learn, work, and recreate.

This is our promise:

1. I promise to wear a cloth or surgical mask correctly (covering both my nose and mouth) on campus as required and described in the Student Handbook.
2. I promise to maintain social distancing at all times on campus. I understand the minimum distance I should be away from others is 6 feet.
3. I promise to limit my travel to essential travel only. If for any reason I need to travel across the New Hampshire State Line, I will contact the Dean of Students (or designee) to ask for permission. Likewise I understand that I may not stay off campus overnight ANYWHERE without permission from the Dean of Students (or designee).
4. I promise to monitor my own health and if I am feeling any type of symptoms, including but not limited to a fever, headache, loss of taste or smell, or a cough, I will e-mail the COVID response team at CovidResponseTeam@nec.edu.
5. I promise if I test positive for COVID-19 and I live within 3 hours of New England College, I will go home immediately. If I live outside of the 3-hour radius, I will abide by all mandates given to me by the Wellness Center for staying in quarantine. Quarantine may include staying in my own room or a space designated by the college.
6. As a student living in the residence halls on campus, I promise to only go into the residence hall I was assigned to live in. I also promise if I want to have visitors in my room that the visitors are from my own residence hall, that we are all wearing masks, and it is limited to 1 visitor in a single occupancy room or no more than 2 in any other room type.
7. As a student living off campus, I promise to not host gatherings of students or other individuals, especially inside my off-campus residence. I promise to wear masks and maintain social distancing when I am around others who do not live in my apartment.

8. I promise if I am mandated to take a COVID test as part of the systematic testing requirement recommended by the NH State Department of Health, I will take the test on the specified day I am selected. If I miss the test, I promise to stop going to face-to-face classes and participating in activities, including athletics, until I have a negative test result provided to the Wellness Center and confirmation of receipt of the negative COVID results. In addition, if I miss two tests within the semester, I will be asked to leave campus and will become a remote student immediately and be subject to a fine.
9. I promise to report, anonymously or not, any students who have violated any aspect of the Pilgrim's Promise to the Dean of Student's office.

By continuing to be on campus for classes, living and participating in activities, I acknowledge that the above promises are mandatory and if I fail to abide by any of the items listed above, I understand that I will forfeit my ability to take face-to-face classes, participate in activities and live in campus housing. I acknowledge I will still be responsible for paying my housing and board plans without refund if it is determined that I must leave campus. I also understand that if I am dismissed from campus, the term will not count towards the college's residency requirement.