NEW PALTZ FORWARD
FALL SEMESTER 2020 RE-OPENING PLAN

The College’s goal is to provide high-quality learning experiences in ways that prioritize the health and safety of our students, faculty and staff. This spirit is captured in the our comprehensive fall 2020 reopening plan. Here are a few of the key elements in our plan:

- Classes will begin Monday, August 24.
- Instruction during the fall semester will end on Wednesday, November 25. The final exam period will be online after Thanksgiving.
- Instructional days will be increased before Thanksgiving by using Labor Day and Fall Break.
- We will offer face-to-face instruction for select laboratory, studio, clinical, equipment-essential, General Education and gateway courses. A majority of our courses will be remote/online.
- Students will be required to quarantine before the start of seated classes. International students must quarantine for two weeks upon arrival.
- ADA accommodations will be made to support those who cannot safely return to campus. Non-health related work-life balance issues will be accommodated where possible.
- Health screenings will be ongoing throughout the semester.
- Facial coverings will be required in all campus buildings, for in-person classes and when social distancing is not possible.
- Residence hall capacity will be reduced, with double occupancy rooms only.
- One residence hall will provide quarantine space should COVID cases emerge.