

## CAU COVID-19 Continued Risks and Operational Reminders 7/02/2020

Over the past several months, California Aeronautical University has been working hard to maintain the safe behaviors and protocols necessary to allow us to remain operational, rather than having to close or restrict further operations as many other institutions and businesses have had to do. At a time when so many are displaced from both school and work, the CAU community has been very fortunate to be able to continue to operate. As a reminder, our ability to keep our doors open is a direct result of our adherences to CAU COVID-19 operational guidance as described in earlier communications applying to both our main campus and Flight Training Centers (May 14, 2020 CAU Announcement attached). By everyone working together and with the University continuing to implement and review health safety practices, as of today our community has been able to prevent outbreaks and exposures to COVID-19 from threatening our campus community and majority of operations.

The University wants to remind everyone that despite the recent trend of businesses opening up, our state of California still remains under the Governors Stay at Home Order. In recent weeks our local communities have made efforts to reopen and allow people to leave their homes, including CAU community residents, to enjoy these opportunities to patron different business for different reasons. These opportunities heavily rely on businesses establishing health safety protocols that generally require community members to comply with social distancing, washing hands and wearing face masks when away from their homes doing necessary business. Unfortunately through the behaviors of many, these efforts are not finding the successes health and other governmental agencies would like to see and are now starting to again close and/or restrict access to opportunities everyone is trying to enjoy as a new normal.

As pilots, we are always assessing our risks. CAU continues to evaluate risks while keeping in mind the goal of preserving common and long-term plans for in-person continuous education. Upon assessing the risks and in light of the recent mandates from our Governor once again calling for tighter safety restrictions due to an uptick in COVID cases, CAU wants to remind everyone to review the most recent May 14 CAU Announcement defining current expectations with the following additional elevations to our level of response in preventing COVID-19 exposures.

CAU will be enhancing its already existing protocols with the following effective immediately:

- Masks required to be worn at all times on campus and entry will not be permitted without them on.
- Masks can only be taken off with these 4 exceptions:
  - While sitting at a table in the Café
  - While in the cockpit (observation passengers are encouraged to wear a mask)
  - While in an office with less than 4 people
  - While walking alone outside
- 6-person occupancy limit for on campus residents using the Gym
  - If you go to the Gym and see 6 people already using it, come back later
- Certain entry/exits will be restricted to secure adherences compliance with health safety protocols

Meetings recently have been held in small groups to review, discuss and offer perspectives from the University regarding operations and behaviors, as well as going over these additional measures. CAU is not seeking to approve or disapprove lifestyle choices and wants only to encourage everyone to make choices that have the CAU community in mind. If everyone makes choices that are in the interests of the greater whole this will allow risks from COVID-19 to be minimized and the University to continue it's in person courses, flight and otherwise permitted.

CAU is making informed decisions based on the most current information available with the ultimate goal of maintaining safety for the campus as a whole so that we can continue to operate with as little disruption as possible. It is in all of our best interest to be a team player in this shared goal to preserve our community and daily operations at CAU. As we have seen from following the news, organizations that get compromised by exposure to COVID-19 or even perceived exposure risk get shut down. CAU needs your assistance to prevent this from happening to its operations by making sound choices and sacrificing for others.

Let's continue to protect our community as a unified team and focus on the positive – that we are members of a small and very lucky group that has the privilege to continue going to school and work in-person, compared to the vast majority of the population that is dealing with having their lives (school, work, graduations, etc.) completely put on hold. Let's not lose sight of how fortunate we are.

Thank you all for doing your part to keep the students in class and the employees at work so that we can all benefit from what CAU is purposed to do, inspire professional growth in aviation. It is a direct result of your actions and we appreciate the sacrifices you all have made for our community.