



Dear Student,

## Re: National Lockdown 5<sup>th</sup> November

I am writing to you with an update following the recent announcement by the Government of a national lockdown commencing this Thursday 5th November, provisionally running until 2nd December 2020.

Government have provided clear guidance that schools, colleges and universities should remain open and still deliver face-to-face learning in order to ensure students studying in England would not be further adversely affected in these already challenging times. Therefore, I am able to confirm that The Cornwall College Group will remain open throughout this lockdown and operating as it has been so far this academic year offering a mix of face-to-face and remote learning.

There are however a number of key points and changes that The Cornwall College Group is taking in response to the recent lockdown announcement with the aim of keeping you as safe as possible:

- From Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November, all students and staff are required to wear a face covering in all communal areas. You will need to ensure that you have a suitable face covering to wear. If you are exempt from wearing a face covering, please inform your Programme Manager.
- We will be keeping the student social spaces and learning centres open, but we will be continuing to apply restrictions to ensure we comply with updated guidance.
- The various catering outlets will continue to serve food in the same manner and vending machines will remain in operation.

**Where you travel by public transport or college bus, it is mandatory that you continue to wear a face covering throughout the entire journey unless you are exempt.**

I understand you may feel worried or anxious during this next lockdown and want to remind you of the support that is available to you. If you have any concerns or worries, please do tell your Programme Manager in the first instance, who will be able to work with you to arrange the appropriate support.

Finally, I want to reiterate our commitment to your safety, studies and achievement this year. We will continue to adapt to any guidance placed upon us to ensure every student studying with us has the best chance of achieving success this year.

If there are any further changes to Government guidance I will communicate these with you immediately, but until then I wish you a safe winter term.

Kind regards

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