



5 January 2021

Dear Student and Parent

The Prime Minister, Boris Johnson, announced a third national lockdown on Monday 4 January which has now taken effect. In accordance with the national lockdown restrictions our campuses will close for the majority of students and learning will move online.

Further Education / College Students

For most students learning will continue online until at least mid-February. Your teachers will contact you to schedule lessons accordingly, revise timetables if necessary and set work using Google Classroom – these contingency plans are already in place and we are ready to switch to remote learning quickly.

External Examinations

The government has announced that GCSE and A Level exams will now not take place. Awarding bodies, colleges and schools will work together and revise assessment arrangements in the coming weeks. It is important that all students should continue to engage in learning; this will help inform any process involving teacher calculated grades and it will also help to prepare you for your next step.

Despite extensive lobbying since the lockdown announcement the government has yet to make a firm decision about vocational and technical exams scheduled throughout January. At this time, we will continue to facilitate January examinations and ensure these are conducted as safely as possible following our risk assessment. This is a very difficult situation and we do not wish to take opportunities away from students. However, for those students and parents who are worried and do not wish to attend their exam we will work with awarding bodies on alternative assessment methods in the coming weeks. For now the Department for Education are stating that January examinations should take place and therefore we will offer these to our students.

If you have been identified by your GP as being Clinically Extremely Vulnerable, then you should not attend college and alternative arrangements for your exams will be made.

Students with IT requirements – Remote Learning

If you require technical support, please email ITservices@ieg.ac.uk or contact us via the following telephone numbers:

Stamford Students – 01780 484346

Peterborough Students – 01733 762211

If we are unable to answer your call, please provide your name and contact telephone number, one of our technicians will call back to help you.



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If you need to borrow a Chromebook please contact us via the above email address or phone number and we will make the necessary arrangements to get a device to you as quickly as possible.

Students who require support

Students with an Education Health and Care Plan or who are vulnerable can access onsite provision and support. If you feel you need to attend college to access support, then please contact the following individuals who will coordinate appropriate onsite provision. Please note that there will not be any onsite catering provision at this time.

Peterborough College Students – Laila.Bentley@peterborough.ac.uk

Stamford College Students – Laura.rees@stamford.ac.uk

College Transport

College Transport will continue to operate from Monday 4th January 2021 and students will be able to use transport to attend college for their exam or to access onsite provision if they have an EHCP or if they need onsite support.

UCP Students - Higher Education

Learning will continue remotely, and students should not return to campus or halls. Further communications specific to higher education students will be issued by the Academic Director of UCP in the coming days.

Nursery – Peterborough Campus

Our Nursery remains open and we look forward to welcoming nursery children week commencing 4th January 2021.

Don't forget.....

All students are reminded of the following:

- Follow social distancing protocols – 2 metre distance where possible
- Regularly wash your hands and use hand sanitizer
- Wear a face covering

This continues to be a developing and challenging situation and is important that we do all we can to stop the spread of the virus. We will continue to follow and monitor government guidance as things change and evolve. Please keep in contact with your tutors, continue to engage in learning and above all else stay safe.

Best Wishes



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