

Campus Visit Policy – Effective June 22, 2020

Thiel College is excited to welcome you and your family to campus. Our goal is to offer you the best possible experience. For the safety of our campus community and our prospective visitors, Thiel College Admission Office has implemented temporary visit restrictions until further notice:

- 1) Prior to scheduling your campus visit, please read the list of restrictions below. Additional information can also be found on our website.
- 2) Each prospective student will be limited to two additional guests per visit.
- 3) Currently, Admissions is scheduling two visit appointments per day. One at 10:00am and 2:00pm Monday-Thursday, and one at 10:00am and 1:00pm on Friday's. Each appointment will need to be confirmed through the Admissions website and through email confirmation. Unfortunately, we won't be accepting walk-ins at this time.
- 4) We are still committed to providing each prospective student a positive experience. Visitors can still meet with an admissions counselor, faculty, coaches, and other members of the Thiel Community, but may interact via Zoom or other communication sites if the representative is unavailable.

Entrance into Building

- 1) When you arrive, please call the Office of Admission at 724-589-2345 and remain in your car. You will then be asked to proceed directly to the Admissions Welcome Center in the James Pedas Communications Center where you will be greeted by a member of the Admissions Team.
- 2) Upon entering the admissions area, guests will be asked to view questions pertaining to COVID-19 symptoms, etc. If any member of the party answers "yes" to symptomatic questions, they will not be permitted to enter into the building.
- 3) All guests will have their temperature taken using a touchless, infrared thermometer. If any member of the party has a fever greater than 100 degrees, they will not be permitted to enter the building and will be asked to return to his/her vehicle. Please review the most current policies prior to arriving on campus.
- 4) Each member of the party is required to wear a mask at all times during the visit.

During Campus Visit

- 1) Following screening process, families will be asked to proceed to the Admissions Visitor Center.
- 2) Families will be directed to an open area where the appointment will take place.
- 3) An online viewing of our virtual tour will then take place showing key aspects of our scenic campus, and specifically showing classrooms and other areas not shown on the physical tour.
- 4) A campus tour of our facilities will take place. At this time, we will tour the campus outdoors and in select buildings. As restrictions ease we will look forward to taking you on a comprehensive tour.

- 5) Following the tour, students will have the opportunity to meet with an admissions counselor and any other constituents they wish to meet with (e.g. faculty, coaches, Dietrich Honors Institute Advisor, Thiel Team, etc).
 - a. These appointments will remain in the initial Admissions location with the community members joining the meeting.
- 6) Following your campus visit, please proceed directly to your vehicle. We ask that families do not explore campus on their own at this time.

Reminders

- 1) Please check and read your email before your arrival. There will be policies you will need to read, and admissions will send you your visit materials virtually.
- 2) Unlike our normal campus visit experience, refreshments will not be made available during your experience on campus.
- 3) Bring your mask. All visitors are required to wear a mask or face covering while on campus.
- 4) Although we would like to, we will refrain from all handshakes during your arrival and departure from campus.
- 5) Do not forget your umbrella! Most of the campus tour will now be outside in order to practice safe distancing and show you our beautiful campus.
- 6) Visitors should practice physical distancing (maintaining at least 6 ft. of distance between others) to the extent possible while on campus
- 7) This policy may be modified due to changes in the status of COVID-19.

Virtual Appointment and Events

Currently, the Admission Office is scheduling [Virtual Campus Visits](#), which include overviews of our academic opportunities, athletic programs, student life, admissions process, and financial aid, as well as opportunities to ask admissions counselors questions. Appointments are currently held Monday-Thursday from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m, and Friday from 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

During the summer, the admissions office is also conducting a series of informational sessions entitled "[Lunch and Learn.](#)" These one-hour long Zoom sessions range from learning about the application process, to how to win a full-tuition scholarship. Registration is live and families can sign-up for as many as you like.