Benedictine College unveils fall plans

(KAIR)--Atchison's Benedictine College will open early for the fall semester as part of what a news release from the college calls "a strategy to mitigate the spread of the coronavirus."

As part of the strategy, the first day of classes will be held August 19, following "a staggered series of move-in days beginning August 8."

The strategy also includes skipping Fall Break, and sending students home at Thanksgiving to take finals online.

The plan "follows weeks of work by the College Cabinet and several faculty and staff committees."

All classes and events will continue while meeting all local, state and federal guidelines.

The traditional Fall Break in October will be skipped, dropping fall mission trips and keeping students on campus through the entire semester. The on-campus semester will end November 24.

College President Steve Minnis, in the release, said the college will unveil a full Raven Safety plan in coming weeks, "with specifics of how classes, athletics, events, meals, and other things will be handled for the year."

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