

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) RESPONSE UPDATE Email to faculty and staff – March 11, 2020

DATE: March 11, 2020TO: Citrus College ColleaguesFROM: Geraldine M. Perri, Ph.D., Superintendent/PresidentRE: Coronavirus (COVID-19) Response Update

Thank you for your commitment to ensuring the safety and well-being of our college community and for working closely to remain student focused during this global health threat. At this time, there are no confirmed cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) at Citrus College.

I extend my sincerest thanks to our COVID-19 Response Workgroup: Dr. Shauna Bigby, Ms. Claudette Dain, Ms. Brenda Fink, Dr. Dana Hester, Mr. Bob Hughes, Mr. Shawn Jones, Mr. Ben Macias, Dr. Martha McDonald, Mr. Mike Ramos, Dr. Robert Sammis, Dr. Arvid Spor, Dr. Maryann Tolano-Leveque, Ms. Melissa Utsuki and Mr. John Vaughan for their planning efforts and updates to the college community.

Citrus College has been in continual consultation with the L.A. County Department of Public Health and has been following the guidance of county experts and the California Department of Public Health as to the measures to be implemented at the college. Additionally, the college has been in touch with the State Chancellor and members of his cabinet as to recommendations for campus operations in light of COVID-19. Also, the college leadership has been vigilant to emerging data on a national, state and local level and the implications for Citrus College and the safety of our college community.

While there are no known cases related to Citrus College, in an abundance of caution and to minimize the potential spread of COVID-19, the following changes will be in effect from <u>Monday, March 23, 2020 through</u> <u>Monday, April 20, 2020</u>, subject to reassessment based on circumstances as they develop.

• Instructional Continuity

Most in-person classes will transition to remote delivery of instruction via Canvas, ConferZoom or other modalities. Classes that require face-to-face instruction, such as: health sciences, labs, career technical education offerings, performing arts, kinesiology, etc., will continue to meet on campus as scheduled. Faculty should contact their respective dean for assistance and further information. In addition, Mr. Bob Hughes will be sending a memo with instructions and training opportunities regarding Canvas, ConferZoom and other remote services.

• Public Events, Gatherings, Meetings

All non-essential public gatherings will be postponed or canceled. To the extent possible, meetings will be delivered remotely. For assistance with remote meetings, please contact Millie Franco in TeCS at ext. 6454 or the Help Desk at ext. 4357.

• Campus Operations

During this time, offices and buildings will remain open with uninterrupted services.

While I realize that the current situation may be quite distressful, I am confident that working together as a community, we can provide support to each other during this trying time and serve as a stabilizing force for our students. I appreciate your understanding and flexibility as we work to thoughtfully implement these changes together.

You may find additional information regarding Citrus College's COVID-19 planning efforts at <u>https://www.citruscollege.edu/stdntsrv/healthcntr/Pages/covid19.aspx</u> as well as our social media accounts. I also encourage you to download the new Citrus Mobile app to receive important notifications.

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