

March 25, 2020

Dear Los Angeles City College Family:

I have some very important information to share with you about two COVID-19 situations involving our LACC campus. On Wednesday, March 25, 2020, we received information of two separate incidents for possible COVID-19 exposure.

The first involved an employee in the LACC Library who visited the doctor because of being ill and reported to us today that their healthcare provider said the symptoms indicated the employee “probably” had the COVID-19 coronavirus due to community spread. The employee, however, is not in a high-risk group being testing for COVID-19 and has not had a test by their healthcare provider, but is in self-quarantine to monitor for symptoms. The employee told us they feel fine. This employee was last on campus on Thursday, March 19, 2020, six days ago, and we are contacting anyone who might have been there on that day.

We were also notified this afternoon of a second incident involving two LACC students who may have been exposed to COVID-19 on March 10, 2020, more than two weeks ago, while in a patient’s room during their clinicals at a Kaiser facility. Kaiser notified them of the potential exposure on March 10, 2020. The students have been in self-quarantine since March 10, 2020, and they told us they are feeling fine with no symptoms. Their possible exposure has already surpassed the recommended quarantine by health officials.

Both of these cases involved unconfirmed exposures, but we wanted to share the information with you as quickly as possible for your own protection and to reduce any rumor or false information. We will send out additional information on both cases as quickly as possible should we receive additional information or confirmation of a confirmed COVID-19 case.

Our hearts go out to our employee their family members and to our students. We are doing all we can to be supportive of our LACC family members and students and I know you join me in wishing everyone a full recovery.

We are still working on completely disinfecting and sanitizing the campus for your safety. About 50% of the campus has already been disinfected and sanitized. We expect to finish the entire campus by the end of next week.

We are asking that no one enter the library until it reopens after it has been disinfected and sanitized.

Please know that we will do all that we can to help any of our students, faculty, and staff who become ill during this pandemic emergency.

We urge everyone to follow the [“Safer At Home” orders](#) from California Gov. Newsom and our local public health officials. Even at home, always practice good hygiene. If you are sick, immediately call your doctor or healthcare provider for advice before going to a hospital or urgent care.

The best source of public health information is available from the [Los Angeles County Department of Public Health](#). We will also continue to update our official Districtwide coronavirus website at www.laccd.edu/coronavirus.

Again, if you are sick, or if you believe you have been exposed to a confirmed case of COVID-19, please contact your primary healthcare provider as soon as possible.

I will continue to keep you informed for any other developments.

Warmly,

Mary