



**Office of the President**

Date: April 6, 2020

Good Monday LACC Family:

I hope you all enjoyed a restful weekend. I know many of you are still working all of your weekends to prep for your classes and assignments. It is certainly a new paradigm. However temporary this situation is, it will have a profound impact on us for some time to come.

I promised to send a lot of information to you today, so here goes.

New guidance from the LA County Health Department regarding what constitutes close contact for exposure to COVID-19 is attached to this email and can be found at the end of this message.

For students who are still having trouble connecting to canvas, or seeing their coursework online, please email [hotline-students@lacitycollege.edu](mailto:hotline-students@lacitycollege.edu). This email is monitored Monday through Friday and is the best way for you to be able to seek assistance from our staff. We will try our very best to resolve any problems they have as quickly as possible. If you need anything, please let us know.

We have help for students in several different ways:

- The Foundation has grants for students who are full-time. Students can apply for up to \$500. Here is the application link: <http://www.laccfoundation.org/website/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/LACC-Foundation-Emergency-Student-Stipend-Fund-Fillable-2.pdf>
- \$50 gift card for groceries from Kroeger (Food for Less) on the student portal

Also, any outstanding student loans are suspended for payment. Lenders no longer can take automatic payment deductions from their accounts. No interest will accrue. This will be in place until September 30, 2020. And finally, if you have lost their job, you should apply for unemployment.

*From Academic Affairs*

The Summer Schedule of Classes will be posted on Monday, April 20, 2020. Registration for Summer classes begins on Monday, May 4, 2020. Students who withdraw from classes now through April 22, 2020 will automatically receive an EW (emergency withdrawal). Students who withdraw after April 22, 2020 will have to petition for an EW.

*From Student Services*

Life skills is seeing students via teletherapy. Please contact Joe Exnowski through email at: [EXNOWSJJ@lacitycollege.edu](mailto:EXNOWSJJ@lacitycollege.edu). The Wesley clinic is also across the street from campus and is open to students. We are also in the process of having a mental health based forum for student ask question and get guidance. More to come on that.

*From Administrative Services*

The campus buildings have been cleaned and sanitized. The Facilities crew also worked on outdoor areas. They will be very busy this week with issues related to the rain that will be here all week. The Bookstore is open; Receiving is open; and the Mail Room is open. If you need anything, please reach out to us.

*Regular Meetings Resume*

I am considering changing the days and times of my town hall meetings. Our regular campus governance committees are set to resume, and so I am working on finding a new time that works for the town halls. I will let you know if they are changing soon.

Whew! That was a lot of information! I hope you have a wonderful Week 2 in our new normal. REMEMBER: Next Monday, April 13, is a non-instruction day. So faculty and students get a nice long weekend. And this Friday is a half day holiday for staff. So our staff get a little reprieve this week as well.

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Be well and be safe,

Mary

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