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Greetings, HACC student!

As a precautionary measure in response to the spread of the new coronavirus, HACC, Central Pennsylvania's Community College, is extending its spring break for students until March 22. No classes will be held the week of March 16.

During the week of March 16, HACC will be working to prepare for a possible transition of face-to-face and blended courses to a remote teaching format. Please know that our priority is to keep you, your classmates and College employees safe and healthy while continuing your education.

We know that this is a challenging time for everyone – particularly in light of its effect on your studies. Therefore, if you have additional questions or concerns, you are encouraged to review the most up-to-date information on the coronavirus and the College's response at hacc.edu/Coronavirus. If you have additional questions pertaining to your specific situation, please contact the College at 800-ABC-HACC.

Ultimately, the College cares about your studies and your success as a student – but we care even more about your health and well-being. Thank you for your patience, cooperation and understanding as we work through these trying times together.

Following is detailed information about important topics. We will provide regular updates, so please visit the aforementioned webpage often.

Class Schedules

- Faculty are working on converting their courses to remote teaching in the event we are not able to hold classes on HACC's campuses. This does not mean your course will become a fully online course. Instead, your instructor will let you know what that means for your class.
- Options may include the following:
 - Some materials may be moved online.
 - Classes may be held via Zoom during your scheduled class time.
 - Hands-on experiences may be rescheduled for a later date when classes resume on our campuses.
 - The spring semester may be extended into early summer.

Financial Aid

- We expect that the College's move to remote teaching will create questions about financial aid. Our goal is for students to successfully complete their coursework. Students who are able to finish their coursework successfully will experience minimal impact. Students who are unable to finish courses – or whose courses are canceled – may be adversely impacted.
- Students with questions about their specific financial aid circumstances may contact the College at 800-ABC-HACC.

Advising

With the summer and fall registration cycles approaching, as well as a possible disruption to your current academic plan, you may want to speak to an advisor. The College will have advisors available to work with you remotely to answer your advising-related questions. Please contact us at 800-ABC-HACC for advising support.

Mental Health and Wellness

Just as your physical well-being is important during this time, so too is your mental health and well-being. Please remember that the College offers counseling services through our partners at Mazzitti and Sullivan. If you are feeling stressed or overwhelmed by this disruption to the normal semester, please remember that you are able to access counseling services to support you. Please go [online](#) for more information.

IT Resources

The [IT Help Desk](#) will remain available for HACC students. Please call 717-780-2570 or email supportcenter@hacc.edu for technology help. HACC offers [a PC Loan program](#) for students who lack access to computers but need them for coursework.

Accessibility

If you need an accommodation to support your remote learning, please contact [Student Access Services](#).

Graduation

We understand that many of you may have concerns about completing your coursework and meeting your graduation plans. Please know that we are examining every part of the student experience with great care and will regularly update you through correspondence to your HAWKmail.

Student Workers

Student workers should report to work during the week of March 16.

Access to College Facilities

During the week of March 16, College facilities will be open, and services will be available. This includes computer labs.

Student Life Events

[Student life events](#) will NOT be held during the extended spring break.

Additional Questions

If you have questions about the College's response to COVID-19, please submit them through the [HACC Coronavirus response form](#).

Again, thank you!

Sincerely YOURS,

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