

**Subject:** Update on HACC's Remote Planning – Oct. 28, 2020  
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Good evening, colleagues!

Registration for winter and spring classes for continuing HACC students is open **today!** Our military and veteran students may visit [hacc.edu/SupportMilitary](http://hacc.edu/SupportMilitary) for more information. All other continuing students should visit [hacc.edu/RegisterOnline](http://hacc.edu/RegisterOnline).

Please encourage students to meet with their advisor and register early to have their first pick of classes.

As you have come to expect, following are the commonly asked questions and our responses to them. Please note that some of these responses are tentative and subject to change.

If you have additional questions and you do not see the answers on the website, please submit the online form located on the website. Please see the webpage section called "[Information for Employees](#)." If you would like to see the information being communicated to students, please see the webpage called "[Information for Students](#)."

We will continue to update you regularly via email, the aforementioned website and Zoom sessions.

Thank you!

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**1. Do you have any updates on the virtual Commencement ceremony?**

[HACC's virtual Commencement ceremony](#) will be held Dec. 15, 2020, at 6 p.m.

Students eligible to graduate in the fall 2020 semester should complete the online participation [form](#) by Nov. 1. Please note that, like ceremonies that occur at the Giant Center, graduates will be celebrated only if they indicate that they plan to attend the virtual event.

Students who are eligible to graduate in the fall 2020 semester may apply to be a student speaker. To apply to be the fall 2020 student speaker, please complete this [form](#) by Nov. 1.

If students need additional information or have questions about the virtual event, please direct them to visit our [website](#) or contact [Commencement@hacc.edu](mailto:Commencement@hacc.edu).

**2. How can I virtually show my support for our spring and summer 2020 graduates,**

### **and students eligible to graduate in the fall 2020 semester?**

The fall 2020 virtual Commencement ceremony is scheduled for Dec. 15, 2020.

By Nov. 15, please complete this online [form](#) with YOUR congratulatory and best wishes messages to our graduates. Your submission may even be shared during the ceremony and/or on HACC's social media sites.

### **3. What is e2Campus and what is it used for?**

e2Campus is HACC's free alert system that allows you to stay informed quickly when the College has immediate announcements or emergencies. You can sign up to receive alerts via text messaging and/or email. For more information and to sign up, please visit [www.hacc.edu/e2Campus](http://www.hacc.edu/e2Campus).

While campuses are closed due to the coronavirus pandemic, the College will not use e2Campus for weather-related announcements. Instead, the College will follow these guidelines: <https://hacc.edu/Students/CollegeCalendars/Weather/>.

### **4. Is it true that the College is going to post a request for proposal (RFP) for student counseling services and the employee assistance program (EAP)?**

As you know, the College is continually reviewing processes, procedures and partnerships to ensure that we are best serving our students and employees.

In November 2020, HACC's contracted service plans for student counseling (in place for one year) and EAP services (in place for seven years) will expire with Mazzitti & Sullivan. Thus, as part of our normal practices to ensure quality services to our students and employees, the College will issue one RFP that will cover both our student and employee counseling services. This RFP is a standard business practice, meant to assess the best available options for our students and employees.

Mazzitti & Sullivan has been encouraged to respond to the RFP. If they are chosen from the RFP process, nothing will change. You will be updated on the status of the RFP process in December.

Although our contracts with Mazzitti & Sullivan expire in November 2020, they have agreed to extend the contracts through Jan. 11, 2021, to ensure you and our students will have access to counseling services through fall and winter 2020. The selected provider from the RFP will be in place by the spring 2021 semester.

Please do not rely on rumors or misinformation. If you have any questions or concerns, please submit them via [hacc.edu/Feedback](http://hacc.edu/Feedback).

**QUOTE:** Someone struggled for your right to vote. Use it. ~Susan B. Anthony