

Greetings!

Thank you for choosing HACC! We are grateful to help you reach your dreams on your educational journey. As you know, our spring 2020 semester did not look like what we expected, and our summer semester is a new adventure as well.

After reviewing the guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Governor's Office and recommendations report from the College's COVID-19 Task Force, we have decided on the following plans for fall 2020:

- The College will remain open.
- HACC's campuses will remain closed until Dec. 31.
- Classes will be taught online through remote instruction and virtual learning.
- Student services will be provided remotely.
- Only credit and Workforce Development programs with required handson/experiential components to meet learning outcomes will be permitted to hold oncampus classes. In these cases, class size may be limited, and personal protective equipment (PPE) and social distancing guidelines from the Pennsylvania Department of Health and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) must be followed.
- Only essential personnel or employees involved in the programs that are granted an exception by the governor may return to campus. Training will be provided on COVID-19 protocol and screenings.
- This is subject to change at the direction of the Cabinet or by state mandate.

These decisions were made while keeping your safety and well-being in mind.

Please visit <u>hacc.edu/coronavirus</u> for more details on our fall semester plans.

For those of you who are parents, the last three months have presented unique challenges. Not only have you continued to pursue your educational goals, you have also dedicated more time and attention to your families. I know it has not always been easy, and I commend each of you for finding ways to make it work. A number of HACC employees shared their stories and parenting tips as part of this special HACC Heroes feature. I encourage you to read it and join me in applauding the hardworking parents among us!

PSECU and HACC will offer a free virtual event, "A Virtual Chat on All Things Money with PSECU," on June 23, 2020, at 3 p.m. If you want to learn more about managing your finances, please visit this page to register.

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 <u>website</u>, please submit the online form located on the website. Please see the webpage section called "Information for Students."

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

Thank you!

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1. I heard that there is a "Groceries on the Go" program on June 11, 2020, to assist HACC students facing food insecurities. May I please have more information?

The "Groceries on the Go" program has been developed to address some of the food insecurities faced by HACC students.

On June 11, 2020, in collaboration with five grocery providers, the College is providing our students the opportunity to receive one FREE bag of groceries.

Please show your HACC ID or current or fall 2020 class schedule at the participating supermarkets below to pick up your free bag of groceries:

Although most of the opportunities already occurred at the time of this email, here is the remaining opportunity on June 11:

York:
Grocery Outlet
1500 N. George St., Suite 13
5-7 p.m. (while supplies last)
Please pick up your bag at register number five.

The pre-filled bags, valued at \$10 each, will be provided first-come, first-served and are limited to one bag per student or family. Please contact Matt Braswell at 717-780-2376 or mdbraswe@hacc.edu with any questions.

The "Groceries on the Go" program is sponsored by HACC's Student Government Association.

2. In an online course, am I expected to "teach myself?"

This document, "Myths of Online Learning," will address some common misunderstandings about online classes.

3. Is there a way I can search all of the questions and responses that have been distributed through these emails?

A <u>searchable index of all commonly asked questions</u> (pdf) included in emails to students is now available on the <u>Information for Students</u> webpage.

To search the document, please click "Find" in your web browser and type your search words.

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