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Coronavirus, or COVID-19, reported cases continue to rise and several cases have been reported in Illinois and neighboring Iowa. As this happens, the College continues to monitor this rapidly changing situation and assess our options that will ensure the health, safety and well-being of our employees, students and communities. The College has established a page on its website, [www.bhc.edu/coronavirus](http://www.bhc.edu/coronavirus), and will provide information as it becomes available here. Information will also be posted to [www.facebook.com/blackhawkcollege](https://www.facebook.com/blackhawkcollege) and [www.twitter.com/bhccampus](https://www.twitter.com/bhccampus).

We continue to encourage everyone to follow these guidelines to healthy habits:

- Stay home if you are sick, except to get medical care.
- Wash your hands often with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds.
- Avoid touching your eyes, mouth or nose.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue or upper arm or elbow.
- Clean and disinfect objects and surfaces that are frequently touched, like doorknobs, light switches, handrails and keyboards.
- Do not share drinks or food with others.

It is recommended to avoid events or situations where a large number of people are present, especially if you are over 60 and/or have underlying health conditions. If you have questions about the coronavirus, please contact your family doctor or health care provider or visit the [Centers for Disease Control website](https://www.cdc.gov).

Thank you for doing your part in keeping our college community healthy.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tim Wynes". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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