



March 13, 2020

Message to Black Hawk College Students

The Coronavirus outbreak is impacting people around the world. Cases have now been confirmed in Illinois and eastern Iowa and colleges and universities are evaluating conditions in their communities and taking actions appropriate for the health and safety of their students and employees. Black Hawk College is also monitoring the situation and is implementing the following plan effective immediately:

- All classes are canceled for Monday, March 16 and Tuesday, March 17, 2020
- College credit classes (including dual credit courses taught on campus) will be offered through alternative delivery methods beginning March 18, 2020 and continue through Sunday, March 29, 2020. More information on your courses will be forthcoming from your instructor.
- Dual-credit classes taught in partner high schools will continue unless the high school cancels classes.
- The College will remain open March 16-29, 2020, and on-campus services will be available. As mentioned, no in person classes will be held.
- All athletic and competitive team events including games and practices, are canceled through Sunday, March 29, 2020. If possible, some events may be rescheduled.
- There will be no organized College sponsored student events, through March 29, 2020.
- The Villas on the Quad-Cities Campus and Prairie Pointe Apartments on the East Campus will remain open. Please contact the management company at the appropriate housing location if you have questions.
- Adult Education, PaCE and Business Training Center classes are all cancelled until Monday March 30, 2020.
- In-Person instructional classes will resume on campus on the regular schedule Monday, March 30, 2020.
- Students are reminded to update their emergency contact information in the Emergency Notification System found in myblackhawk. Look for the large red button on the home page.

Student employees should work with their supervisors on their work schedules over the next two weeks. Student employees are not prohibited or discouraged from working at their BHC jobs however, BHC will respect students' decisions not to work during this time.

At this time, no employee or student has been diagnosed with the novel coronavirus. However, the situation is changing rapidly and it is difficult to anticipate every question and situation. We ask for your patience as we work to adjust our plans that ensure the safety and health of our students and employees while continuing to deliver outstanding instruction.

The College will post information as it becomes available at www.bhc.edu/coronavirus and www.facebook.com/blackhawkcollege. You may also receive updates at your mymail@bhc.edu email account. If you have specific questions, please contact Heather Bjorgan, Dean of Enrollment Management at bjorganh@bhc.edu or 309-796-5345.

Thank you,

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