



March 20, 2020

Message to Black Hawk College Students

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and the college administration, I want to express my thanks to students, faculty and staff for their understanding and flexibility as Black Hawk College has dealt with the impact of the coronavirus.

As the virus spread throughout the country our first concern was the safety and health of our employees, students and community. That is why we canceled classes on March 16 and 17 and moved all on-campus instruction to online delivery on March 18.

What would have seemed like radical actions a few short months ago are now necessary to do our part in stopping the spread of COVID-19. It is obvious this is not a short-term event. Therefore, in an abundance of caution but with the health and safety of our students, employees and our community in mind, all classes will continue in the online format for the remainder of the semester.

I understand that online classes may be difficult for some students. I encourage you to call or email your professors or academic advisor to work through these difficulties. Our faculty and staff are dedicated to ensuring each student receives the highest quality instruction possible and I extend my appreciation to them for their efforts.

Commencement is the ceremony celebrating student success, often shared with family and loved ones. Unfortunately, I must announce commencement, as it is normally held, is canceled. We are working on alternative methods to celebrate our graduates this spring. Once we determine the best option, we will share that with you.

Finally, the COVID-19 pandemic has changed how we live and interact. I encourage you to take care of yourselves and loved ones and follow the health and safety guidelines provided by the Centers for Disease Control.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tim Wynes". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line above the first name.

Tim Wynes, J.D.  
President