

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT/SUPERINTENDENT
PRESIDENT'S CAMPUS UPDATES



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Dear Colleagues and Friends,

I hope you are well and are settling into your modified work routine this week. I wanted to take a moment to check in with you as we continue to transition to an online environment and provide you with a few updates as well.

First, please join me in thanking our employees who are still on campus this week, supporting all of us in accordance with our Emergency Operations Plan. We owe a debt of gratitude to Vice President Felipe Lopez as well as the managers and classified staff in Campus Police, Facilities, Fiscal Services, IT, and Purchasing, who have met this challenge with grace and determination. We appreciate you.

The Public Affairs team has done an excellent job developing the [COVID-19 Information Page](#), a gathering point for information pertaining to our online learning environment. We are updating pages constantly. Below is a quick summary of what you can find:

- The [Student Resources page](#) includes answers to frequently asked questions and online resources for students.
- The [COVID-19 Related Resources page](#) is a great place to begin your telecommuting experience. It provides non-instructional guidelines for working with your colleagues in an online format. Please take a moment to share tips using the link provided so we can continue to help each other.
- The [Faculty Resources page](#) has a wealth of information for faculty, including some amazing Canvas resources from the [CTX](#).
- Coming soon: I know you have seen many emails from different departments about modified campus procedures. We are working on centralizing all of this information so that everything is easier to access.

Please do not hesitate to share ideas on how we can continue to make information available to each other. You can email me directly, or email president@cerritos.edu, which goes to me, Cheryl, and Andrea. In addition, I am planning to host [President's Hour](#) live on our [social media pages](#) and we can "chat" then. More information coming soon.

We know that many of our students have immediate needs that we as a college are not currently equipped to give. The Cerritos College Foundation rose to meet this challenge by [starting a campaign](#) to raise \$100,000 for a student emergency fund. On Monday, PIH Health donated \$10,000 to the campaign, and the donations continue to come in. You can refer students to the [Emergency Aid Request form](#) for financial support.

As I have been saying in my [bi-weekly video updates to students and our community](#) (videos are also on Instagram and Twitter): wash your hands, keep your distance, and stay in school. What does "stay in school" mean for us employees? It means we must stay connected with each other, keep our Cerritos family spirit strong, and reach out via a phone call or message on [Skype for Business](#), even if it is just to check in with each other. We are in this together and will come through a stronger family and greater college than ever before.

Thank you for all that you continue to do for our students and the community.

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