

March 17, 2020

Dear Students, Faculty & Staff,

Yesterday, Governor Cuomo [signed an executive order](#) directing all schools in New York to close by Wednesday, March 18 for two weeks ending April 1. Today, we have received further guidance from SUNY as to how the Governor's executive order affects SUNY campuses and we wanted to communicate that with you as soon as possible.

To maintain the health and safety of the NCC community we are asking students NOT to return to campus until further notice. Essential staff should take direction from their supervisors as to if they should be on campus. All other employees not deemed essential are expected to continue to work remotely, where possible, and perform their assigned duties or be available to do so during normally scheduled work hours.

We continue to work diligently on our cohesive learning continuity plan to transition as many classes as possible to remote instruction and some course have already begun this transition. However, there are some courses that may not be able to transition to remote instruction such as laboratory sessions. We are currently working on a process to address this.

Faculty members should be corresponding with students to share what courses might look like moving forward and to determine what students' remote capabilities would be if their course was moved to remote instruction. To help assist us to determine the best way to instruct remotely we are asking students to take a quick [survey](#), just once, to determine remote capabilities. The feedback from this survey will directly impact the tools utilized for remote instruction.

A number of cell phone and internet providers are currently offering free or discounted internet service for 60 days to students. Please see a list below and carefully read the details as a number of these offers will go to full-price after 60 days:

- **Altice USA:** Altice Advantage 30 Mbps broadband solution for free for 60 days to any new customer household within their footprint. Click [here](#) for more information.
- **AT&T:** Will keep their public Wi-Fi hotspots open for anyone who needs them. Click [here](#) for more information.
- **T-Mobile:** Is increasing their data allowance for free to schools and students using their EmpowerED digital learning programs to ensure each participant has access to at least 20GB of data per month for the next 60 days. Click [here](#) for more information.

We are committed to supporting students with achieving their educational goals at Nassau Community College while taking preventive measures to maintain the NCC community's health and safety.

As always, we encourage you to continue to check your email and the website for important information and updates regarding the rapidly evolving COVID-19 situation.



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