



# A Message from the Chancellor

Dear Students:

Yesterday I wrote to you about our plans to continue instruction and business operations in the event that OCC's facilities close due to the Coronavirus. Because this is a rapidly changing situation, we are taking the following steps to keep our community safe. We will be sharing additional updates as more information becomes available.

## Instructional Continuity

- Effective Thursday, March 12, 2020, we are suspending all face-to-face classes. Face-to-face classes will resume in a remote format on Monday, March 23.
- From March 12-22, faculty will migrate their face-to-face courses to remote instruction. Faculty and Academic Technology Group experts will work together to support this migration.
- All online classes will continue as scheduled.

## Student Services

- Student services continue to be available on both our [virtual campus](#) and physical campuses.
- Internet access and computer access remain available on campuses for student use.

## Events

- All events are cancelled, including external rentals, unless notified otherwise.
- All athletic games and practices are cancelled.
- Student organization meetings may proceed via teleconference.
- Committee meetings may proceed via teleconference.

## Campus Operations

- All other College business operations will continue. All campuses, will remain open.
- OCC has hired additional temporary custodial staff at each campus and assigned to disinfect highly used surfaces and restrooms.

## Travel

- All college-sponsored and student extracurricular travel is suspended.
- All college-related international travel is suspended.
- All college-related, non-essential domestic travel is suspended.

We are committed to keeping everyone healthy and safe, and continuing the important work of the College. One of the best ways to prevent the spread of any contagious disease is to limit contact and transmission of the virus. Regardless of where our students and employees are, we encourage you to practice preventative health measures such as those found on our [Coronavirus page](#). Please continue visiting this page for information and updates.

We will modify and refine our plans as we learn from this unprecedented experience. I appreciate your understanding and continued cooperation in the coming days.

Sincerely,

**Peter Provenzano Jr.**