

March 12, 2020

Good Afternoon:

This morning I met with the Executive Cabinet, Interim Chief of Police, and the MCC Medical Director to further discuss new information, questions, concerns and clarifications that have arisen since yesterday.

Dr. Russell Bush will continue to serve as the College's liaison with the Genesee County Health Department and will assist in clarifying COVID-19 information. The situation continues to be fluid and changing rapidly. Decisions made today may change tomorrow due to a host of reasons including new or clarifying information received.

Out of an abundance of caution, the determination was made to cancel all meetings and gatherings of any size held at our campus sites that are not essential to the business continuity of the College effective immediately through the end of April. Meetings that are deemed essential by the Executive Cabinet will take place in person or through a teleconferencing experience. On-campus and off-campus meeting organizers who have booked a facility space through Auxiliary Services or The Foundation for MCC will be notified of this decision and asked to share this information with their constituent groups.

We decided not to cancel any graduation activities that are scheduled to take place at the end of April. The viability of hosting these events will continue to be assessed as we get closer to their scheduled dates.

We will be changing our food options on campus to "grab and go" with limited hours and requesting that we not eat in groups as a mitigation strategy.

An MCC COVID-19 Information webpage will open this evening that will be much like our MCC Safe Campus Water Information page. It will link to the latest information, the College's response, and resources available. The webpage will be a living document that will be updated frequently during the outbreak. I encourage everyone to frequently review the information.

The appropriate MCC leader will continue to work with representatives from on-campus MCC partner institutions like Mott Middle College and University Center representatives to coordinate our efforts.

We will be announcing our implementation plan for alternative course instruction solutions, support services, and counseling opportunities tomorrow.

Finally, we want to reiterate that we strongly encourage persons who are not feeling well or have a compromised immune system or are not comfortable with their work environment to speak with their supervisors to take leave or work from home.

Looking Forward,

Dr. Beverly