

Seminole State College

March 25, 2020

Dear Campus Community,

I hope you are all staying safe and adjusting well to the many changes happening in your daily lives, and across our campus.

As you know, we have been constantly monitoring the COVID-19 pandemic and are working to keep our students and employees safe, while also continuing to provide quality service and instruction. To this end, we have decided to continue with the online/virtual delivery of classes through the end of the spring semester.

Additionally, in accordance with actions taken at other colleges and universities in the State, as well as other recommended health precautions, we will close campus to the public starting Monday, March 30, 2020, until further notice. Buildings and offices will be accessible to employees who need to come to campus. We will continue to operate “back-room” operations with limited employees present, and handle student, employee and public inquiries by email and phone. The computer labs in the David L. Boren Library will remain open to students who may not otherwise have access to needed technology, and for access to the campus Food Pantry.

We will also be postponing our traditional commencement ceremony currently scheduled for May 8, 2020. We are discussing innovative ways to honor our graduates, possibly through a digital ceremony, to recognize these students and their tremendous accomplishments.

Campus housing has been closed since before Spring Break, and will remain closed for the semester. Arrangements are being coordinated through Student Affairs and Housing to allow students to collect their belongings in a limited, structured method. We are discussing several options regarding providing credits and pro-rated refunds for room and board. These will be considered on a case-by-case basis and will be based on many factors, including financial aid status.

I realize this will continue to be a transition for all of us, and there are still many questions to be answered. However, I know our campus will work together to tackle these challenges as they arise. I am so very proud to be a part of this college, and to work with its outstanding faculty, staff and students. We will get through this together!

Stay safe,

Lana Reynolds

President, Seminole State College