



Office of the Presidents



Important Message from the College

March 12, 2020

Dear Mitchell College Community,

As you know Mitchell College has been carefully monitoring the evolving conditions of COVID-19. Our primary concern has been to provide students with an outstanding educational experience while caring for the health and well-being of our community.

The College has worked deliberately and thoughtfully to make decisions and implement protocols to minimize the risk of exposure to the campus community. Currently there are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 on this date here at Mitchell College, or in New London County, however, out of an abundance of caution, we have made several changes that will affect everyone here at the College:

- On-campus Mitchell and Thames classes are canceled beginning Friday, March 13 at 8 a.m. through Monday, March 16. Beginning Tuesday, March 17, Mitchell and Thames classes will be delivered online at their normal class times, continuing through at least March 29. *Watch for additional communications and more information about online classes.*
- For students who do not have technology available at home, please contact support@mitchell.edu prior to leaving campus to make arrangements.
- **All students must vacate their residence halls by Saturday, March 14, at noon. Please notify your hall director of your departure plans.**
- All athletic activities are postponed beginning 8 a.m. Friday, March 13 through at least Sunday, March 29.
- All campus activities (performing arts, residential and campus life) will be canceled beginning at 8 a.m. on Friday, March 13 through at least Sunday, March 29.
- Dining Services: Brunch and dinner will be served on Friday, March 13; Grab and go items will be available on Saturday, March 14 through noon.
- Support services will continue through Thames at Mitchell, Bentsen Learning Center, Tutoring, Mystic Program, Behavioral Health/Counseling Services, Accessibility Services and Centralized Advising. *Watch for more information about accessing support.*
- The College will remain open. We ask that access to the campus be limited to College personnel and approved contractors.

Students should take extra care when packing and remember essential items, medications, and materials needed to continue coursework online. *Please note that at this time the intention is for students to return to their residence halls. This is not an end-of-year move-out.* Please continue to

watch for communications and check the website regularly for updates to this quickly-changing situation.

The College's COVID-19 task force will meet regularly, continue to monitor this fluid situation and will assess all dates. We know that this is an uncertain time for everyone, and we thank you for your patience, flexibility and support as we work together over the coming weeks.

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