

Office of the Presidents



Important Message from the College

March 13, 2020

Dear Mitchell College Community,

What started out as a week on a college campus much like any other quickly evolved into something different, something new for all of us. We thank you for your support and flexibility over the past 24 hours, and in the days to come, as we work together to provide you with the most up-to-date information about COVID-19 (coronavirus). As a reminder, residential students should vacate their rooms by Noon on Saturday, March 14, notifying their hall director of their departure plans.

While it was a difficult decision to send students home temporarily – for seniors in their last semester, athletes in the midst of their spring season, performers rehearsing for productions, friends enjoying time with friends – the college remains open and learning will continue.

Faculty and staff are prepared to provide a comprehensive remote learning experience, making sure all of the supports for which Mitchell is known are still accessible. Students should direct any questions or concerns to their professors or academic advisors.

Please watch your email for information about how to access online learning. Instructions will be posted on the website this weekend. FAQs (and there are many) will also be posted on the website.

As you all know, the heart of the Mitchell College community is the deep connection that our faculty and staff have with our students. We are fortunate to have an exceptionally dedicated team who are professionally and personally invested in our students' success and will ensure a smooth transition to remote – but connected – learning for our students.

We hope to return students to campus and resume regular activities on Sunday, March 29, but we know that the situation remains fluid and dates might change. Please look for regular communications over the next several days. As always, thank you for your patience and support.

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