

From: Chancellor Lambert
To: All Students
Date: March 12, 2020
Subject: Spring Break extended; Transition to online classes when possible

Dear Pima Student,

Pima Community College's top priority is the health of our students, employees and community. This commitment has taken on added urgency as the impact of Novel Coronavirus COVID-19 intensifies in depth and breadth.

Like all institutions of higher education, we have been monitoring the situation closely. Pima has determined it is necessary to accelerate our efforts to mitigate the impact of coronavirus, so we can help keep our community as safe as possible.

Thus, Spring Break will be extended by two days. As is typical, no classes will be held during Spring Break.

On Wednesday, March 25, we will reconvene Spring classes. For most courses, we will move from in-person classes to virtual instruction. We will reassess after two weeks, reflecting the fluidity of the situation.

All College facilities will remain open during and after Spring Break. The College will not close.

Our goal is to provide a flexible middle ground that balances student learning with the need to minimize public health risks.

Please keep in mind:

- We are developing detailed plans that will address the different ways our students receive their education. During Spring Break, we will share specific information with you. **Check [pima.edu/covid19](https://www.pima.edu/covid19) and your pima.edu email, and stay in touch with your faculty members.**
- We are asking you to fill out this [short survey](#) . It asks about your access to WiFi, computers, and other resources that are part of instruction from a distance.
- We understand the transition from in-person to virtual learning may be new and challenging to many students. To reiterate, the College's campuses and facilities will maintain normal hours and functions during and after Spring Break. Technical and other resources will be available to students who need them.
- If you would like additional information about requesting accommodations through Access and Disability Resources (ADR), please refer to the College's ADR website: <https://www.pima.edu/current-students/disabled-student-resources/requesting-services/index.html> .
- Note that health guidance is available online at:

- [Arizona Department of Health Services](#)
- [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)
- [Pima County Health Department](#)

COVID-19 presents a challenge that is both universal and personal. Regarding the personal, I encourage you to be flexible and kind. Take care of yourself and each other. And remember that Student Wellness Assistance (SWA) is available to all Pima students. To access SWA in MyPima: Go to Students > Student Resources tab.

Events are changing rapidly, and we will keep you updated. Thank you for your patience.

Lee D. Lambert,
Chancellor