

Sunday, March 15, 2020

Vanguard Community,

While our ASU-Beebe campuses will remain open at this time, starting Monday, March 16, 2020, ASU-Beebe classes on all campuses will move to alternative methods of instruction/remote learning until *at least Friday, April 3, 2020*.

### **ALTERNATIVE INSTRUCTIONAL METHODS THROUGH at least APRIL 3, 2020**

For many classes, alternative instruction might mean online instruction. For others, your faculty member will have more creative options to keep you current in your studies. Our primary objective is to keep you safe while we minimize the negative impact on your educational experience. Faculty members will contact students through their ASU-Beebe email and/or through CANVAS with specific instructions about how to access their remote instruction options.

We will continue to monitor conditions through April 3, and are prepared to extend the time for alternative methods of instruction longer if it is prudent.

### **RESIDENCE HALLS**

For students with on-campus housing, please note that food service and housing will continue to be provided for students who need to stay on-campus during this time. Knowing that many residents are away from campus visiting family over the weekend, the Office of Student Life requests residents to complete the following form to communicate whether they plan to stay on-campus or at their permanent residence during this period. <https://bit.ly/3aRKvmy>

Although, residents that choose to stay on-campus during this time will not be restricted to the residence halls, residents are discouraged from traveling back and forth between campus and their permanent residence during this period.

As we approach the originally scheduled Spring Break (March 21-29, 2020), on-campus residents are advised there will not be any extra charge for staying on campus during the break. Limited food service will be provided to on-campus residents during Spring Break Week.

### **INTERNET ACCESS and STUDENT SUPPORT**

To accommodate students and continue to provide learning support, the Library, Student Center, and State Hall on the Beebe campus, and the Advising and Learning Centers on all campuses will remain open during regular business hours. There will be limited access to other areas of our campuses.

### **IF YOU THINK YOU ARE SICK**

If you have a fever, do not feel well, are sick with COVID-19 or think you have been infected with the Coronavirus or other virus, please do not come to campus. ASU-Beebe is prepared to provide you information and services by phone, email, via Zoom, and through Canvas. Remember, you can always contact us at [ASUBCares@asub.edu](mailto:ASUBCares@asub.edu) or at 501-882-4500 if you need assistance.

In addition, please follow the Center for Disease Control and Prevention measures for “What To Do If You are Sick: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/steps-when-sick.html>

### **SPRING BREAK TRAVEL**

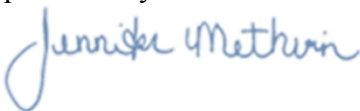
ASU-Beebe will observe Spring Break March 21 – March 29. The CDC provides recommendations on postponing or canceling travel <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html>. CDC is currently warning people to avoid all non-essential travel to any area listed as Warning Level 3. Also, any areas classified by the U.S. State Department as Level 4, are similarly restricted. Any ASU-Beebe student, faculty or staff who travels from or through a region listed on either travel advisory should be aware of potential for quarantine upon return to the United States.

While most of us will not travel to those Warning Level 3 and Level 4 areas, students, faculty, and staff should take into consideration potential impacts of any travel and take appropriate precautions to limit their exposure to the novel coronavirus. Known exposure would necessitate a 14-day self quarantine before returning to campus.

### **CAMPUSES OPEN**

At this time, all our ASU-Beebe campuses will remain open to provide services to our students. Again, I want to emphasize that there have been no cases of COVID 19 among ASU-Beebe faculty, staff, or students at this time. The risk to our campus community is minimal at this point; however, I want to reassure our campus community that ASU-Beebe’s administration is committed to monitoring developments related to the coronavirus outbreak, and taking appropriate measures to keep our students, faculty and staff safe.

Thank you for your patience through this evolving situation. We will continue to provide updates for you as needed.



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