

Dear Southwestern College Student,

Below is additional important information for our students, as Southwestern College continues to make preparations for moving all face-to-face classes and labs to online or distributed instruction for the period of March 16-March 20th. Student notifications for this period of time will be posted online at the below link, under the Student Information section. We will continue to add information for students, so please check the link below for updates.

<https://www.swccd.edu/student-support/health-services/special-health-updates.aspx>

Student Q & A Forum

Please join us **tomorrow Friday, March 13, 2020 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** in Room 67A-103 (Student Center Conference Room) for a Student Forum to discuss Southwestern moving to remote operations, March 16th – March 20th. We want to make sure we hear from our students. This is an opportunity to get answers to your questions and concerns.

Class Format March 16th-20th

All classes that are taught on a Southwestern College campus will be moved to an online or distributed learning format during this time. Each instructor will decide the modality of instruction for their courses. Please make sure you check with you instructor as soon as possible so that you are aware of how your instructor will instruct next week. Please contact your instructor if you do not have access to a computer or internet.

Addressing Student Basic Needs

Need food to get you through the next two weeks?

Stop by the Jag Kitchen in Chula Vista, Room 53A-117, Jag Kitchenette at HEC San Ysidro, or Jag Kitchenette at HEC National City Thursday or Friday (3/12-3/13). The Jag Kitchen in Chula Vista will be open until 5:30 p.m. today and 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Friday, March 13th. Check with the HEC centers at National City (619-216-6665) and San Ysidro (619-216-6790) for the hours their Jag Kitchenettes will be open today and tomorrow. You can also email pbartow@swccd.edu.

Tutoring for March 16th - 20th

General tutoring, which does not include PSP tutoring, will be handled through eTutoring at <http://swccd.edu/eTutoring>. Students will need their SWC ID to login, and then they will have access to a range of tutoring services covering several disciplines. eTutoring offers live tutoring via chat and electronic whiteboards, and there is also an option for leaving quick questions for students who do not need an entire session.

Library

Library hours have been extended on Friday, March 13 and Saturday, March 14th

- Friday, March 13th from 7:30am to 4:00pm
- Saturday, March 14th from 9:00am to 4:00pm

Just a reminder that the library offers databases as well as librarian assistance 24/7! These are great resources for all students to know about always but especially during these times.

Library Databases

<https://www.swccd.edu/student-support/library/research/articles-databases.aspx>

24/7 Live Librarian Research assistance via chat

<https://www.swccd.edu/student-support/library/research/ask-a-librarian.aspx>

Travel Advisory

We encourage you to follow the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and U.S. Department of State recommendations for travel. CDC currently advises against non-essential travel to China, Iran, Italy, or South Korea. Aside from any risk from coronavirus itself, the transportation bans and infrastructure disruption are significant. It is also possible that U.S. borders might close to re-entry from some areas, making it challenging to return. We also ask that you send an e-mail to admissions@swccd.edu if you do have any travel plans scheduled to take place after March 15th.

Sincerely,
Student Affairs Division
Southwestern College