Dear Chaffey College Students,

By now, you have heard the reports of rising COVID-19 cases throughout the region and how they have pushed our hospital intensive care units and emergency rooms beyond capacity. We had hoped that conditions would have improved by now, but with reports revealing 1 in 4 San Bernardino County residents are testing positive for COVID-19, **the College has made the decision to cancel all in-person instruction for the spring semester.** All students affected by this decision will be contacted directly by their program with information on next steps.

This decision was not easy for us. We are doing this because we value the health and safety of our students, faculty and staff. We do not want to risk any COVID-19 exposure or spread by attending in-person classes. All scheduled online classes and support services will continue as planned.

We realize that our students participating in labs and other in-person classes will be disappointed by the decision. We do not want to lose these students. Our plan is to reach out to them and let them know how to continue working toward their goals, encourage them to enroll in an online course (and cover the cost of that new course's book) as well as offer them priority registration in the future. While this pandemic continues to challenge us, there is no way that we will let it stop us from achieving our mission to "improve lives through education."

The campus will continue to be closed to the general public. Students are only permitted on campus to visit the Campus Store for books or supplies. For more information on hours, online orders, curbside pickup or its window service, please click here. The Campus Store also offers FREE shipping on online orders. Temperature screenings will continue for anyone working on campus.

I appreciate the patience and efforts of everyone. While this is a challenging time, please know that we are united – as Chaffey family, and we will get through this time stronger than before.

Thank you,

Henry D. Shannon

Superintendent/President

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