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COVID-19 UPDATE 7

As the university transitions to a period of remote working, for those of you who still need to come to our campuses, either periodically or regularly, I can't stress strongly enough the importance of **social distancing**.

This practice is a vital component of the overall efforts to help prevent community spread of COVID-19.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has published guidelines of what social distancing means. Please visit our dedicated COVID-19 [website](#) to stay up to date. This website also includes a host of other resources.

I also would like to remind everyone that students, faculty and staff returning from **international travel** must [self-quarantine](#). This includes cruises. It is everyone's responsibility to help prevent the spread of this coronavirus, so please review these requirements.

As I mentioned in yesterday's update, the State University System of Florida Board of Governors has directed state universities to cancel the traditional **on-campus commencement ceremonies** scheduled to be held in May. Instead, each university will develop alternate schedules or methods of delivery for these commencement ceremonies.

I want to reiterate that all students and their families who were scheduled to graduate in May will be given the opportunity to participate in a future commencement ceremony when it is safe to do so. This is very important to me, and while we must make adjustments during this time, I do not want anyone to be denied this opportunity.

In other updates, the university's **libraries** have changed their operating hours. All libraries are now closed except for certain computer and study labs.

On the Boca Raton campus, the **Hillel Center computer lab all-night study area (room LY 3A)** remains open. This lab is adjacent to the library and is accessible to all students with card swipe.

In Jupiter, the study space (**room LIB 105A**) adjacent to the **John D. MacArthur Campus Library** is available 24 hours a day via card swipe. Twenty-six computers are available.

On our **Davie campus**, the **Student Union computer lab (room SD 101F)** is open as follows: 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Monday to Thursday; 8 a.m. - 7 p.m. Friday; noon - 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

In Fort Lauderdale, the **student lounge (room HE 610)** in the **FAU/BC Higher Education Complex**, is open as follows: 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. Monday to Thursday and Noon - 4:30 p.m. Friday. **The Broward County main library** is open 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. Monday to Wednesday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Thursday to Saturday.

At **FAU's Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute** in Fort Pierce, the study space in **Link 108G** is available from 6 a.m. - midnight seven days a week via card access only.

Also, our **dining halls** have adjusted operations. To promote social distancing, the dining halls will only serve take-out meals. In-dining seating is no longer available until further notice. Dining Hall hours on the **Boca Raton and Jupiter campuses** are as follows: Monday to Friday — 7:30 to 10 a.m. for breakfast; 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. for lunch; 4 to 8 p.m. for dinner. Saturday and Sunday — 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. for brunch and 3 to 8 p.m. for dinner.

Some food-service venues in the **Food Court** remain open. **Starbucks** and **Outtakes** are open 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday to Thursday and 7:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. Friday. **Wendy's** and **Pollo Tropical** are open 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday to Thursday and 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Friday. **Subway**, adjacent to FAU Stadium, is open 10:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday to Friday. All these venues are closed during weekends. Like the dining halls, these venues are open only for take-out. No in-dining seating is available.

Please remember, if you are feeling unwell, and especially if you are experiencing symptoms associated with COVID-19, seek medical attention immediately. Anyone who tests positive must follow the requirements of [self-quarantine](#).

If you receive a positive test result, all **students** must notify **Student Health Services** as soon as possible. The number is **561-297-3512** (after hours, please select option 3). All **faculty and staff** must notify **Human Resources**. The department can be reached by calling **561-297-3076** or by email at gzaidman@fau.edu. Your supervisor also should be notified.

Best,

John Kelly
President