March 13, 2020

Dear Campus Community,

Río Hondo College is closely following the Coronavirus (COVID-19) guidelines set by the California Department of Public Health and the California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office to keep our students, faculty and staff safe.

Earlier today we confirmed that a student had flu-like symptoms after attending an evening class on campus. The student has consulted a medical practitioner and was advised to self-isolate at home. Those known to have come in contact with the student have been appropriately notified. College staff continues to clean and sanitize the campus and in high-traffic areas. The affected location has received deep cleaning.

At this point, the College has not been notified by the Department of Public Health of any confirmed cases at Río Hondo College.

As communicated to the campus community, all lecture-based classes will be offered online through Canvas from March 16 to April 4, 2020. The campus will remain open to ensure a continuity of education and provide essential services to our students.

Given the fluidity and uncertainty of the evolving situation, these measures are subject to change. We will update you on any changes and continue to post on our website.

Thank you for your understanding and actively engaging in efforts to mitigate the impacts of the Coronavirus by staying home if you are feeling sick, washing your hands frequently for at least 20 seconds, covering your cough, and cleaning all “high-touch” surfaces every day.

Please continue taking care of yourselves, your families and each other.

Appreciatively,

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Superintendent/President