July 2, 2020

To the Brazosport College community,

Brazoria County is experiencing a substantial increase in COVID-19 Coronavirus cases. On Wednesday, July 1, 2020, Brazosport College was notified that an employee tested positive for the COVID-19 Coronavirus and that another employee has COVID-19 Coronavirus symptoms but has not yet been tested. Fortunately, both of these employees have been working remotely and have not been on campus. Thankfully, both of these employees are reported to have mild conditions. They will not return to campus until they are fully recovered and meet all CDC rules and guidelines.

The College also has several employees and students who are not positive, but have been in contact with individuals who have tested positive. Out of an abundance of caution, these employees and students have been asked to self-quarantine and not return to campus until they've shown no symptoms for 14 days after their last exposure, according to CDC rules and guidance.

Rest assured, as we learn about these situations, we take immediate action and are doing everything possible to prevent the spread of this virus on our campus.

Our custodial vendor, MBM, has thoroughly sanitized all potentially affected areas and additional cleaning protocols are being utilized on a regular basis throughout the day. We are working closely with the Brazoria County Health Department and taking guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. We will continue to take every precaution necessary to ensure the safety and well-being of our Brazosport College community.

At this time, we will continue holding our limited on-campus summer classes, but we are closely monitoring this situation and will take any additional steps and precautions as they are warranted. Flexibility will be of the utmost importance in the coming days, weeks and months. Currently, our fall semester plans are ongoing with no changes. These plans can be found at <a href="https://www.brazosport.edu/backtobc">www.brazosport.edu/backtobc</a>.

We will continue to provide information to the college community about COVID-19 cases that may impact the campus. Please monitor <a href="www.brazosport.edu/coronavirus">www.brazosport.edu/coronavirus</a> for updates and information.

Most importantly, please continue following the CDC guidelines for prevention of the COVID-19 Coronavirus, which includes, but is not limited to, thorough hand washing, social distancing and the wearing of face masks or face coverings.

Finally, I want to thank every member of our Brazosport College community. Be it our students, faculty or staff, we are all in this together. I believe we will emerge from this as an even stronger college and community.

Best regards,

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