



MEMORANDUM

TO: Iḷisaġvik College Community

FROM: Dr. Pearl Brower, President

DATE: March 16, 2020

SUBJECT: Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Update

We are taking all appropriate measures and will continue to follow the expert guidance of the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Update:

- As of today 3/16/2020, Iḷisaġvik College campus will remain open.
- All administrative travel will be suspended until further notice. Instructional travel will be determined on a case-by-case basis.
- Any large group meetings with more than 20+ individuals be postponed, or held via zoom/teleconference.
- All events and programming that are not essential to college operations as of Monday, March 16th will be cancelled until further notice. This would include, but is not limited to, programs at the library, K-12 programming, and cooperative extension.
- If you or anyone who resides in your household has traveled outside of the state of Alaska to please quarantine yourself for 14 days.
- Although we are a family friendly organization, we ask that children not be brought into the workplace to align with the Alaska school closure protocols.

College Preparations

We want to stress the importance of the following preventative measures:

- Washing hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Using an alcohol-based hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes with your arm.
- Frequent cleaning of doorknobs, light switches, and other commonly touched areas with disinfectant wipes.
- Avoiding contact with people who are ill.
- Stay home from work or school if you are ill.

Additional Information

Alaska Department of Health and Social Services

- <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/Epi/id/Pages/COVID-19/default.aspx>

CDC Resources

- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/colleges-universities/faq.html>
- https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/workplace-school-and-home-guidance.pdf?fbclid=IwAR2LDSg_IUUdRD15SqDZpfAD9AM_uAnvF47gQ29INitxYmgtL8v-SCybVVw
- <https://www.consumerreports.org/cleaning/common-household-products-that-can-destroy-novel-coronavirus/>

We are committed to bringing you the most up-to-date information on how the situation affects your connection with Iḷisaḡvik College. Iḷisaḡvik College is sending wishes for you and your families to stay safe and healthy.