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Dear Students, Faculty and Guests:

We have been made aware of new information available from the Florida Department of Education, and in compliance with the following order we will observe a temporary closure, effective immediately through April 15, 2020.

Source: http://www.fldoe.org/newsroom/latest-news/florida-department-of-education-announces-additional-guidance-for-the-2019-20-school-year.stml

Today, the Department of Education and Commissioner Richard Corcoran are using executive authority to support the Florida Division of Emergency Management to ensure Florida citizens are kept safe.

"The containment of COVID-19 is essential, and this is not a decision we made lightly. Districts have taken action and have instituted distance learning as a necessary precaution to protect students, educators, families, and Florida's overall public health," **said Commissioner of Education Richard Corcoran.** "We are working with our local school districts to provide guidance and help children who need access food during this time. Our number one priority is keeping our families safe and healthy and stopping the spread of this virus. These actions will help mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in Florida. I will continue to work with the Governor, Superintendents, Florida College System and the State University System to do whatever we can to protect our children, our families, and our communities."

Commissioner Corcoran is taking the following actions, effective immediately:

## **School Districts**

- All public and private K-12 and career and technical center campuses are closed through April 15, 2020.
  - Schools are encouraged to operate virtually or through other non-classroom-based means to the greatest extent possible to implement distance learning.

We will be exploring options for on-line / distance learning opportunities (for lecture and testing only) over the next few days. Information with regard to that will be sent to you via e-mail.

VA Students: We have been instructed by the VA not to make any changes to your current enrollment certification until further notice. (This is new territory for all involved, and we have been assured there will be no changes to your current benefits at this time.)

Students with tuition payment plans: All outstanding tuition payments (which were due on or before March 16, 2020) are due immediately. Those payments can be made by phone using a credit / debit card or by check / money order via US Mail or in person using any payment method.

Remaining scheduled tuition payments will not be due until May 1, 2020.

Your health and safety remain our top priority as we navigate through this evolving situation. We encourage you to continue practicing measures from the CDC to prevent the spread of viruses. Following them goes a long way toward staying healthy and keeping our communities safe.

As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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