Dear LSC Campus Community:

Lake Superior College administration is in frequent and regular communication with the Minnesota State system - as well as government agencies, healthcare providers, fellow higher education institutions, and other community partners - regarding how the coronavirus (COVID-19) will impact our system and campus community. The safety of our students and employees is our top priority and we will continue to monitor the situation diligently and provide updates as they are available.

We will provide new and/or updated information on our website at: [www.lsc.edu/coronavirus](http://www.lsc.edu/coronavirus) along with additional resources and health guidance. We encourage everyone to check this site regularly and we will also provide updates via email, LSC’s official social media sources, and/or through campus leadership. We also encourage everyone to avoid misinformation regarding LSC’s actions concerning classes, travel, and so forth. Please rely only on confirmed information provided by LSC administration, which will be provided on our website and through our various official email and social media channels.

At this time, the only universal and direct impact to institutions within the Minnesota State system, including Lake Superior College, is that all international travel has been suspended as of February 28, until further notice by the Minnesota State system. Those directly impacted at Lake Superior College have already been contacted about this and are working with department leaders to make alternative plans.

We encourage everyone to take necessary steps to ensure your own health and safety, as well as those around you, including practicing respiratory (coughing and sneezing) etiquette and hand hygiene. Additional hand sanitizers have been made available throughout campus and additional and deeper than usual cleaning, including sanitizing hand rails, is already underway by the LSC facilities team during this week of spring break. We would like to thank the team for their dedication and for their continued efforts!

If necessary, we are prepared to take additional precautions and actions which could potentially include moving more classes to an online format but at this time there are no immediate and confirmed plans to do so. We have been discussing contingency plans just to be safe and prepared, but hope that will not be necessary. However, if it does become necessary we will be prepared for a smooth transition and again will provide
any relevant information and directions through official communication channels including the webpage located at: www.lsc.edu/coronavirus.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact your instructor and/or supervisor directly, or the administrator in charge of your department. You can also send general questions or comments to info@lsc.edu and our team can help direct those to the appropriate contact.

Thank you all for your cooperation, calm, and understanding during this unique time. Overall, we are operating with business as usual unless and until anything changes.

For those of you on spring break, we hope you’ve been enjoying some time off and hope you have a happy and safe rest of the break.

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