

STAFF UPDATE FROM PRESIDENT PAUL CARLSEN – March 20, 2020

Team LTC,

Yesterday we received the sad news two Wisconsinites passed away from COVID-19. Our thoughts are with their loved ones.

These are emotional times for all of us, yet we are not making emotional decisions. The Incident Management Team (IMT) and the Leadership Team (LT) continue to meet daily. At these meetings we are briefed on the following: current situation, safety, public information, what the counties are doing, what other colleges are doing, college finances, college operations, logistics, instruction, staff concerns, student concerns, and IT developments. In addition, the LT and Ryan Skabroud meet twice daily to assess recent developments and to plan accordingly. Know we will continue to plan and act with the best interests of our community in mind.

Effective at 5pm, and through the duration of the public health emergency, we will be locking all exterior campus doors. Only the individuals listed in the attached will have approved access to buildings. When these individuals are on campus, they will be clearly identified with a yellow nametag. Anyone else needing access to the buildings must first secure approval from their respective Leadership Team member. If you are in a building without a yellow nametag you will be asked to show the approval email from your Leadership Team member. All staff coming to campus should take their temperature before leaving home. You may also be asked by the college nurse to take a temperature check on campus, if signs of illness are exhibited.

The L3 and L4 entrances in the Lakeshore building will be open Monday through Wednesday next week only for students needing technology support. Students needing technology support after Wednesday must schedule an appointment to come to campus. The L5 entrance will be used exclusively for construction workers, and they have been granted fobs for that entrance.

To the best you can, try to find a small way to escape. I usually listen to *The Daily* podcast on the way to work, the content of which has been COVID-19 focused for some time. This morning I escaped by singing along to Bon Jovi on the way to work instead of listening to *The Daily's* latest COVID-19 coverage. It felt pretty good.

Thanks, Paul Carlsen