CUMBERLAND, MD (Mar. 20, 2020) – Allegany College of Maryland has made the difficult decision to continue classes online until the end of the semester.

Effective at close of business today, Friday, March 20, 2020, no faculty, staff, or student should come to any campus location (Cumberland Campus, Bedford County Campus, Gateway Center, Bedford County Technical Center, Garrett County Nursing Site, and Somerset Education Site). This will remain in effect through at least Sunday, April 12, 2020. There will be no face-to-face classes or on-site student services. A decision about the status of campus operations will be announced on or before Wednesday, April 8, 2020. Willowbrook Woods will remain open to student residents.

Additional information regarding clinical and laboratory programs will be provided to students at a later date. Students are encouraged to check in with their faculty members if they have questions about online coursework or concerns about online access.

Non-credit classes and training through the ACM Center for Continuing Education and Workforce Development are suspended until further notice.

ACM staff is available to answer questions, advise students on courses, connect them with accommodations and disability resources, address billing questions, and discuss financial aid and scholarship options, etc. through email and online platforms.

Plans for commencement exercises and other future college events and activities will be decided by Wednesday, April 15, 2020. Information about registration for summer and fall classes will be forthcoming.

Students are encouraged to utilize remote counseling services if they are experiencing mental health concerns. More information is available through the coronavirus response page on the college’s website.

“Our hope is to minimize, to the greatest extent possible, the COVID-19 pandemic’s impact on our students’ academic pursuits while remaining in compliance with current State and Federal guidance,” said ACM President Dr. Cynthia Bambara. “It’s changing how we operate, but we’re already finding new and innovative ways to engage with our students and one another.”

Questions may be directed to the ACM Information Center at info@allegany.edu.