Dear Students,

With the Thanksgiving Break drawing nearer and rise of COVID-19 case numbers in Allegany and surrounding counties, we've determined that it's necessary to move all credit courses online beginning on November 30, the Monday following Thanksgiving Break.

We’re here to do all that we can to support you in the weeks ahead.

WHAT TO KNOW:
• This measure applies to all college locations in Maryland and Pennsylvania.
• All credit courses at all locations will remain online through the end of the fall semester.
• Some noncredit/Continuing Education courses may continue to meet in person.
• Willowbrook Woods will remain open. Students not planning to return after Thanksgiving Break are encouraged to take possessions home with them.
• Our Culinaire Café at Gateway Center will close to the public on November 19.

WHAT TO EXPECT:
• You will be contacted by your instructor or program director with instructions.
• ACM’s offices and resources remain open to serve you, including the College Library, Thomas Welcome Center, and student serving-offices in College Center and the Humanities Building. More of our faculty and staff will be working remotely.
• We continue to offer extended wifi signal on campus for remote course instruction, including parking lots between: (1) Technology and Allied Health; (2) Technology and College Center; (3) Technology and Automotive Technology; (4) Maintenance and Automotive Technology; and (5) Physical Education and the track.

WHAT TO DO NOW:
• Wear your mask correctly indoors and outdoors, wash your hands frequently, disinfect surfaces, and socially distance.
• Check for symptoms daily, and report possible COVID symptoms and exposures.
• Consider getting a flu shot through our Nurse Managed Wellness Clinic.
• Keep participating in your courses. Stay enrolled and continue to do your work.
• Confide in a faculty or staff member now if you do not have a computer or reliable internet access, or need limited financial assistance.
• Reach out if you are struggling with food insecurity.
• Connect with your fellow students in The Student Lounge on Brightspace.
• Care for your mental well-being using Student Counseling resources, including telehealth options.
• Use in-person and online tutoring and study labs to ensure your success. Study lab tutoring is available through Brightspace and on-demand is offered through ThinkingStorm. (The password is acmonlinetutor.)

We know that the move to online courses can be challenging, but we want to keep you safe while moving towards your educational goals. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to us by calling 301-784-5005 or emailing info@allegany.edu.

Wishing you good health,
Dr. Bambara