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Prior to Tuesday’s Virtual Recognition Ceremony that celebrated the graduating Class of 2020, Los Angeles Southwest College President Dr. Seher Awan delivered pizzas and gifts to some of the college’s well-deserving graduates at their homes to thank them for their dedication to their studies and to LASC. She was joined by Outreach and Recruitment Coordinator Johnel Barron, Counselor Juan Camacho, and Public Relations Manager Benjamin Demers. Congrats to the graduates! #LASCGrad2020

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STATE AND NATIONAL GUIDANCE/EXECUTIVE ORDERS/NEWS

California now has 141,983 confirmed cases of COVID-19, resulting in 4,943 deaths, an increase of 1.3% since Wednesday. While counties across the state move further into Phase 2 and Phase 3 of the Resilience Roadmap, the state Department of Public Health continues to urge everyone to wear face coverings, practice social distancing, wash your hands throughout the day and avoid touching your face.

For the latest updates on how the state is responding to the coronavirus pandemic, you can find more information on California’s COVID-19 website.

The Center for Disease Control (CDC) today provided an update on COVID-19 response efforts. The CDC reiterated the importance of embracing the recommendations of social distancing, washing of hands and wearing of face coverings in public as states begin to reopen. Considerations for larger events or gatherings were also released.

Sacramento, Yolo and Placer counties today are moving into Phase 3 of the reopening roadmap, allowing bars, gyms, day camps and movie theaters to reopen.

The California DMV on Thursday reopened all remaining field offices that had been temporarily closed for the pandemic.

Another 1.5 million workers applied for unemployment benefits last week. The latest figure from the Labor Department, released Thursday, marked the 10th straight weekly decline in applications for jobless aid since they peaked in mid-March when the coronavirus hit hard.

SYSTEM GUIDANCE/NEWS

Vice Chancellor for Educational Services and Support Aisha Lowe on Wednesday released the ES 20-22 “Emergency Temporary Correspondence Education Blanket Addendum” memorandum detailing the process to request a blanket addendum specific to courses offered in prisons and jails. Here is a PDF of the online submission form for your reference.

The Chancellor’s Office is committed to keeping everyone informed during this uncertain time. We encourage administrators, faculty, staff and students to regularly check the Chancellor’s Office COVID-19 resource page for ongoing executive orders, guidance memos and announcements. Current and prospective students can also get
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