Colleagues –

As we know the situation related to COVID-19 (Corona virus) is rapidly changing – the health of our entire community remains our top priority. We will continue to monitor the situation with insight and guidance from North Dakota health officials; adjusting our plans and actions as more information is available.

**NDSCS will be open and staffed tomorrow (Monday, March 16th); employees should continue their regular work schedules (unless advised otherwise by their supervisor).** We will continue to provide timely updates and guidance.

As disruptive as this past week has been, I have observed all of us truly embody our LIFE values– and they will be just as important in the days ahead. This disruptive time is far from over, but each of you has helped to enable NDSCS to continue our mission.

**Reminders & Resources:**
As a reminder up-to-date NDSCS resources and information can be found at [www.ndscs.edu/COVID-19](http://www.ndscs.edu/COVID-19)

Individuals can help protect themselves from COVID-19 by practicing everyday preventative behaviors:
- Stay home when sick with a fever (100.4°F/38°C or higher), cough, or have trouble breathing.
- Cover coughs and sneezes.
- Frequently wash hands with soap and water.
- Frequently clean often touched surfaces.

Once again, thank you.

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