



# EDWARD WATERS COLLEGE

Office of Human Resources & Administrative Services

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## **Edward Waters College Advisory – Coronavirus COVID-19**

Edward Waters College (EWC) is adhering to all recommended regulations and guidelines from government authorities related to the containment of COVID-19. Simultaneously, **EWC's campus is currently observing its Spring Break and has elected to take the precautionary step of extending the Spring Break recess for one additional week through Friday, March 20, 2020. During this time, students and faculty are encouraged to remain off-campus.** As such, we have proactively implemented several actions and preventative measures outlined below in response to growing concerns regarding the Coronavirus and at this time, except as noted above, the college remains open for regular business.

### **Current Instructional Plan & Resumption of Classes:**

- As of now, EWC plans to resume face-to-face delivery of classes **on Monday, March 23, 2020**. However, it is possible that future circumstances may require the College to move all courses to an online delivery platform. **The College will provide ongoing updates via its official communication mediums** which include the College's campus email system, website ([www.ewc.edu](http://www.ewc.edu)), and social media outlets (Twitter: @ewctigers; Instagram: ewc\_tigers; Facebook: Edward Waters College).

### **Potential Online Delivery of Academic Courses:**

- Should the College elect to suspend face-to-face delivery of courses **beyond March 23, 2020 (due to the evolving nature of the COVID-19 pandemic)** the College will provide more specific instructions to students and faculty regarding procedures for implementing on-line course delivery **no later than close of business on Monday, March 16, 2020**. The college will make every effort to be considerate of instructor and student concerns during this unprecedented situation.

### **Preventative measures currently in place include:**

- **Cleaning and Disinfection Protocols:** We have implemented additional cleaning and disinfection protocols for the entire campus community to include in depth cleaning within the residential halls, cafeteria, and academic spaces. These protocols will be enforced in addition to our already rigorous sanitization standards in place.
- Employee travel is suspended through June 30, 2020, with exceptions authorized by the President & CEO Meetings can be conducted by phone or video conference.
- If any members of the EWC community (i.e., faculty, staff, or students) have traveled to any areas (nationally or internationally) where cases have been reported, we are asking



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those individuals to self-isolate as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and that information can be found at <https://www.cdc.gov/>.

- Athletics: At this time, Athletic competition will continue, and may be subject to cancellation as directed by the Director of Intercollegiate Athletics.

The safety and well-being of our students, faculty and staff members is our top priority. We are closely monitoring guidance by the World Health Organization and other public health authorities, and taking proper health precautions where warranted as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and that information can be found at <https://www.cdc.gov/>.

We are also encouraging the collective college community (faculty, staff, and students) to take any signs of illness seriously and seek medical attention as needed. **Please check back periodically for updates and information via the College website at [www.ewc.edu](http://www.ewc.edu), campus email, and the College's social media outlets, as these again are the College's official means of communication.** Further, you may also follow updates from the local news affiliates.