

Dear Students,

You have probably been monitoring the news for updates on the pandemic and wondering how that affects Chaffey College. As you may have noticed, the risk of spread still remains high in San Bernardino County and the rest of the region. While we are anxious to return to campus as much as you are, the reality is that we want you to remain safe while you pursue your academic goals. We are also bound by public health orders set forth by the state.

Because of these factors, a majority of Chaffey College's spring 2021 courses will remain online.

We will also offer more than 100 face-to-face laboratory sections, including labs that were not offered in the fall such as fire technology and auto technology.

We realize that some of you may be disappointed by this news, but we urge you to consider how far you have already progressed on your journey toward graduation, transfer or workforce advancement. A [2019 study](#) by College Board showed that 83 percent of adults with bachelor's degrees or higher were employed in 2018, compared with 69 percent of adults with just a high school diploma. The median annual earnings of students with bachelor's degrees working full-time is \$24,900 higher than that of students with a high school diploma. In other words, the benefits of staying outweigh any challenges.

Please take advantage of our [robust support services](#) so we can provide any academic, financial or personal assistance you might need.

We thank you for choosing Chaffey College and hope that you and your families remain safe.

Sincerely,

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