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Dear United Tribes Technical College Community:

United Tribes Technical College (UTTC) has been closely monitoring events and public health recommendations regarding coronavirus (COVID-19) at the city, state, and national levels. Student and employee health, and our academic mission, continue to be priorities for the Administration.

With this in mind, Administration has determined that face-to-face instruction will not occur at UTTC from March 23 to April 3, 2020. Students will, in many cases, continue their studies using online resources. Campus will remain open and all other campus facilities will continue to operate. Faculty and staff will continue to work from campus or remote locations; thus, some interruption of regular work schedules and services may occur based on availability of UTTC staff members. UTTC will take the following actions to help limit the COVID-19 risk on campus and to fulfill our educational mission:

Online Learning - Students who leave campus for spring break (March 16-20, 2020) should plan not to return to campus for an additional period of two weeks. Face-to-face classes will not be held on campus during the weeks of March 23-27 and March 30-April 3. Faculty will use online technology to enable students to continue their coursework beginning on March 25, 2020. CTE and laboratory-based class instructors will schedule alternative meeting dates/time and learning activities for their students. Student employees or internships will continue at the discretion of the instructor and supervisors. Check <https://my.uttc.edu> and email often for information. Please contact your instructor with any specific questions.

Dorms, Dining, Housing, Daycare, and Theodore Jamerson Elementary School (TJES) - Students are encouraged to remain away from campus; however, students who have contracts for dorms, housing, and dining, will be able to remain on campus. Students on a meal plan who choose to depart campus for the two-week period will receive a prorated partial credit in their student account. UTTC will align Daycare and TJES hours with the Bismarck Public School system.

Travel, Campus Events, & Athletics – All UTTC travel and Campus Events are cancelled until May 1, 2020. The NJCAA Division II Women's Basketball Tournament has been postponed until further notice.

During Spring Break, you may wish to decrease exposure by limiting unnecessary movement, personal contact, and travel. Large gatherings of persons in close quarters may also increase risk. UTTC will continue to monitor public announcements from the Department of Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for future recommendations regarding the coronavirus COVID-19 issue.

UTTC expects to resume face-to-face classes on Monday, April 6, 2020 as regularly scheduled. Any changes will be communicated through student and employee email, social media, and the UTTC Emergency Notification System (ENS).

Have a safe spring break!

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