



Coronavirus Update # 10 – 4/17/20 Virtual Town Halls and Fall Semester

To ACPHS Community,

As you may be aware, Governor Cuomo extended the "NYS on PAUSE" period yesterday to May 15. While this extension doesn't impact the decisions we've made to date, the longer the pandemic lasts, the more we need to prepare for the future and look ahead to the fall semester.

Virtual Town Hall Meetings

While I will continue to update you weekly with the latest information, I'd also like to speak directly to the campus community. Therefore, I'm having two virtual Town Hall meetings; one for faculty and staff, and the other for students. This will give me an opportunity to share information and answer your questions.

The faculty and staff Virtual Town Hall meeting will be Wednesday, April 22 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The student Virtual Town Hall meeting will be Tuesday, April 28 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

I hope you all will be able to attend your designated Town Hall meeting, though I understand there may be a few class conflicts. You will receive a separate calendar invite shortly with the Zoom link to join your respective meeting.

Fall Semester Will Begin on Time

Our plan is to begin the fall semester on time, ideally with students on campus. If we must extend our remote instruction to the fall, we will still start the semester on time, but adjust our curriculum so the didactic instruction is at the beginning of the semester and the lab requirements are later in the semester.

We continue to have ongoing discussions about what we can do to ensure our students receive an outstanding educational experience during the pandemic. I am very proud of how our faculty and staff have worked tirelessly to ensure our students are receiving the education, guidance and support they need during these uncertain times.

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