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Members of the College community,

I am sharing information about the coronavirus, as well as advice on staying healthy during this time of year.

Coronavirus update

As of Sunday, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have confirmed five cases of 2019-nCoV coronavirus in the U.S., including one in Arizona.

According to information from [Arizona State University](#), the [Maricopa County Department of Public Health](#) has confirmed one case of coronavirus in the ASU community. The person resides in Tempe, does not live in university housing, is not severely ill, and is currently in isolation to keep the illness from spreading.

To learn more about the coronavirus, visit the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website](#), or the [University of Arizona's Health Alert](#).

Impact on Pima

Three employees currently are traveling internationally on behalf of Pima but are not in China. Several employees are scheduled to travel internationally on behalf of the College, the earliest leaving the U.S. on Jan. 31. All upcoming international travel will be reviewed for approval by the College.

To the best of our knowledge, no Pima students are currently studying in China. One student is currently overseas on an academic project. Any student who has traveled recently internationally can contact the [Pima County Health Department](#) at (520) 724-7797.

Other respiratory viruses

Cold-like viruses are common at this time of year. Common-sense tips to keep these viruses from spreading include:

- covering coughs with a tissue or your upper shirt sleeve, not your hands
- washing your hands often with soap and water for 20 seconds
- avoiding close contact, such as kissing, shaking hands, and sharing cups and eating utensils, with others.
- Also, if you feel ill, stay home.

Again, to learn more, visit the [CDC website](#).

The College has installed stations containing paper respiratory masks and hand sanitizer at our facilities. In addition, East Campus is home to a health clinic operated by MHC Healthcare. [Learn about clinic hours and services](#).

Assuring the health and safety of employees, students and visitors is a top College priority. We will continue to update employees and students as the situation develops.

Sincerely,

Lee D. Lambert
Chancellor