

April 3, 2020

Dear Child Development Program Community,

This is an important update regarding the Yuba Community College District's response to COVID-19.

While there have been **no confirmed cases** of COVID-19 in students or staff at any of our sites, after much deliberation with our College Leadership team, we have decided to **CLOSE all Child Development Sites to students through May 1st**.

Our program offices and college campus' will remain open during this closure to keep essential operations going and to communicate with you throughout this closure period, but there will be limited public access. During this period, each site will also receive a deep cleaning.

We will be sharing more information as soon as possible about how student learning/care will continue and exploring childcare options for families in need. That information will be emailed and posted on our website <https://yc.yccd.edu/student/childdevelopment/> as soon as it is finalized.

This was yet another extremely difficult decision, knowing that schools are an essential service, but we are facing a rapidly developing health crisis. I know you have questions, and everyone in the Yuba College community is committed to supporting our students and families through this unprecedented challenge through close communication and collaboration.

We understand this situation is extremely disruptive to normal routines, and we are grateful for your understanding and partnership as we work to protect the health and safety of our community. We also encourage students and families to continue to do their part to prevent further spread of the virus, including washing hands and staying home as much as possible.

I realize these are difficult times for many of our families, and I am convinced our decision to close schools is the best of the options available to us in order to prioritize the safety and well-being of our kids, staff and community.

Sincerely,

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