March 13, 2020

Dear Peralta Community,

Berkeley City College, College of Alameda, Laney College, Merritt College, and the District office will be closed starting tomorrow, Saturday March 14, 2020 through Saturday, March 21, 2020. All employees are asked to work remotely while the college campuses and district offices are closed. All employees (including student workers) will maintain their respective schedule and continue to be paid during this time.

I recognize that there are some jobs that cannot be done remotely. If this applies to you, please contact your manager promptly for guidance and instruction.

Student services will continue to be available remotely (online or via telephone) during the campus closures.

The health and safety of members of the Peralta community remains our top priority. Peralta Community College District will continue to follow the guidelines and best practices for institutions of higher education as recommended by the Alameda County Public Health Department, the California Department of Public Health, the California Community College Chancellor’s Office, and the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

The latest updates from Peralta regarding COVID-19 are always available at https://web.peralta.edu/health-services/coronavirus/. Peralta serves a diverse community of learners and we are committed to maintaining a welcoming environment of belonging. Please treat each other with respect and kindness in these challenging times. You are all important members of our community.

Thank you for the incredible job you are doing as we respond to the emerging information.

Sincerely,

Dr. Regina Stanback Stroud, Chancellor