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## Dear Student.

I hope you're doing well and have enjoyed your summer. I know the last few months have been very different. I want you to know that Mitchell Community College is here to support you. This email is long, but I need you to read all of it because it contains very important information about your fall classes. I cannot stress how important it is to check your Mitchell email frequently (even before classes start) because we will send you critical information.

As you may have already heard, the College has made the very difficult decision to transition the majority of our fall classes to online. I know this may not be the best situation for everyone. We want you to have the opportunity to take classes with us, but due to social distancing requirements and space limits, we have to move the majority of our courses online.

Please log into WebAdvisor and check your Mitchell schedule. If you registered for a class that shows a time and a building on campus, that class has moved to online. On the first day of the class, you will log into the Open LMS. Your instructor will post the times when your class will meet virtually online. Please do not try to log in to your class until the start date listed on your schedule. The fall semester begins August 17. However, there are some classes that may start later.

For example, if you are registered for PSY-150-MST2, here are the meeting times in WebAdvisor:

08/17/2020-12/14/2020 Classroom Hours Monday, Wednesday 09:30AM - 10:45AM, Mooresville Campus Bldg B, Room 117 08/17/2020-12/14/2020 Classroom Hours Days to be Announced, Times to be Announced On-Line, Room ON-LINE

This class is scheduled to begin on 8/17/20. That has not changed. Originally, this class met in person on Monday and Wednesday from 9:30-10:45 on the Mooresville Campus in Building B, room 117. In addition to the in person meeting, there was some online work. Now, this class will meet virtually on some or all Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:30-10:45. On the first day of class, 8/17/20, log into Blackboard Open LMS to start the class.

Your class *may or may not* meet virtually on the first day. Your instructor will email you before class starts to let you know the meeting days. It will also be posted in the online class. In addition to the virtual meetings, there will be independent online work for you to complete. You *may* be required to come to campus for a proctored test or exam. Your instructor will have that information posted for you on the first day of class.

All of the virtual sessions will be recorded for you to view again. Additionally, your instructors will be available to you virtually for additional help. We will still offer tutoring through the MIND Center and Upswing. You will receive additional information about that later.



There are **some** exceptions to this move to online. Some classes that require a hands-on learning environment may still meet in person. You may not meet as frequently as is listed on your schedule and you will certainly be meeting in smaller groups. Your instructor will email you before your class starts to let you know if/when you should come to campus. Areas that may still meet in person include:

- Public Safety
- Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA)
- Medical Assisting
- Nursing
- Advanced manufacturing/engineering/trades
- Information Technology
- Culinary Arts
- Cosmetology

You should not come to campus unless you have received directions from your instructor telling you to do so. We are limiting the number of people on campus right now.

All students will be receiving additional information (sent to your Mitchell email address) from your instructors by August 10. If you have ANY questions, please contact the instructor assigned to teach your classes via email and not by phone, as many of them are working remotely.

Thank you for choosing Mitchell Community College and best wishes for a great fall semester.

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