March 12, 2020



Dear Xavier Community,

Xavier University is committed to protecting the health, wellbeing and safety of our students, faculty and staff. Informed by the rapidly evolving situation around the coronavirus (COVID-19), the promotion of social distancing and relying on the advice of health experts, <u>Xavier</u> <u>announces several significant changes to our academic and residential plans</u>.

Remote learning for the remainder of the semester

• Beginning Monday, March 16, Xavier will move to a remote learning format for all courses for the duration of the spring semester.

Campus housing

- All Xavier University campus housing is closing for the remainder of the semester. Students are not permitted to live in campus housing after Tuesday, March 17 at 5:00 p.m. Students must make plans to retrieve their personal items and return to their permanent address. Exceptions to remain in campus housing will be made for truly unique circumstances. Students in such a situation can petition the Office of Residence Life. The petition form and detailed housing information will be sent in a separate email on Friday, March 13.
- Although campus housing closes on Tuesday, March 17, students will have until Monday, March 23 at 9:00 p.m. to remove all belongings from campus housing. In order to support social distancing and to facilitate an efficient process, students must schedule a specified move out time. Detailed move out information will be sent in a separate email on Friday, March 13.

Xavier support

- Xavier has a comprehensive COVID-19 website at <u>www.xavier.edu/coronavirus</u>. The site contains valuable information including frequently asked questions on COVID-19 topics. Questions may be submitted on the site.
- A Xavier hotline is available at 513-745-1010. A team of Xavier staff will be available to answer questions from Friday, March 13 through Monday, March 16, between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. each day. The Xavier team will help address your questions.

Housing and meal plans

• The University is taking into consideration refunds for campus housing and meal plans. We are assessing the overall situation and a decision will be communicated on Friday, April 17.

Books and course materials

- Course materials will be made available in electronic format for academic classes.
- For those with books as part of the Xavier Day One program, books may be returned after the semester in-person or via mail. More details will follow.



Student employment

• Student employees and their supervisors will receive additional information on Friday, March 13.

Xavier email

• All students should continue to check their Xavier email daily. Faculty and administrators will reach out to you via Xavier email.

Xavier's goal is to protect the health and wellbeing of our students, faculty, staff, and the broader community while maintaining our commitment to student success and academic progress.

Xavier is blessed with students committed to acting with integrity, justice and generosity. During this time, please be mindful of your own health, those close to you, and your larger community. Let's extend grace and mercy and live out our commitment to one another together.

Michael Graham, S.J. President