



ELMIRA COLLEGE

OFFICE OF RESIDENCE LIFE

March 16, 2020

Dear EC students,

As we begin the first week of our transition to online classes, I ask for your cooperation and patience as we introduce new processes and procedures designed with your best interests and safety as our priority.

Residential students, while we have given you the choice of staying on campus or going home for the rest of Term II, we want to be sure that you have considered all the factors in making your decision. For those of you who live a considerable distance from Elmira, there is a possibility that domestic travel may soon be restricted by the federal government. If you are planning to leave campus in the next week or so, you may want to expedite your travel plans. For international students, there is a very good chance in the near future that you will not be able to cross international borders. Canadian Prime Minister Trudeau just announced, *“If you are abroad, it is time for you to come home.”* Trudeau also reinforced that any Canadians coming home need to self-isolate when they arrive.

If your choice is to remain on campus, we require complete and total compliance with the procedures we have put in place for **social distancing and respectful, responsible behavior**. Remember, to keep our campus community safe, we are following the advice from public health experts. If you choose to disregard these guidelines, you will be required to leave campus immediately (no exceptions). Additionally, as an added level of safety and security, all EC students and employees will now be required to swipe their ID cards to enter the Gannett-Tripp Library.

One thing that should never be disrupted is your health care. If you currently take a prescription medication, please take an inventory of that prescription to ensure that you have enough to get you through the next several weeks. Of course, you may contact the Clarke Health Center or your primary care provider to manage refills. Thank you, and please take good care.

Sincerely,
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Dr. Elizabeth A. Lambert
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