Good afternoon,

With the announcement Wednesday that the state would move to Phase 3 - Recovery of the Restore Illinois plan on May 29, we are sharing a map to indicate how the JJC will move through this plan, and what college operations are expected to look like within each phase.

As has been the case through the pandemic, these plans may be modified if state or federal mandates change.

Restore JJC Plan

Restore Illinois Plan

Your Cabinet leader will share specific staffing details with you in the coming days pertinent to your position and division. Remember, phase 3 involves limited employees on campus, and most work will continue remotely. Your Cabinet member will communicate this access to your departments directly.

According to the plan as it is presented, K-12 and higher education institutions can begin onsite instruction when their quadrant reaches phase 4 - Revitalization. In the Restore JJC plan link above, you will see what high-level operations at the college will look like in phase 4.

Long-term, we remain vigilant about the health and well-being of our employees as they begin to return to work and other activities in the coming months. As I shared in my May 7 email to you, we have already initiated the following:

The purchase of facemasks, gloves and hand sanitizer.

- Installation of plastic barriers in spaces where social distancing is not possible.
- Implementing social distancing markers on the floors to maintain appropriate distance.
- Installation of no-contact thermal thermometers at key points of entry at Main Campus, Romeoville, City Center, Weitendorf and Morris. No students, faculty, staff or members of the community will not be allowed to enter if they have temperature of 100.4 or greater, as recommended by CDC guidelines.

Contingency and communication plans in the event of a COVID-19 case after staff has returned to work will also be implemented and shared.

The Illinois Community College Board convened its statewide Return to Campus committee to discuss reopening campuses in some form in the fall of 2020, and Dr. Yolanda Farmer is a participant of this group. This group is providing best practice guidelines for institutions to follow, not mandated requirements.

I am proud that we were one of the first community colleges to announce our fall semester plans. It is our hope that this proactive and early decision will support our faculty in preparing their curriculum, support employee health, and drive students to choose JJC, knowing we provide academic and student support stability now and in the future.