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Dear colleagues,

As you are aware, information about the spread of the Coronavirus has become more and more prominent recently in the media. Please know cities, counties and states will declare “states of emergency” largely to gain federal funding should a virus spread unexpectedly and to finance expenses they are already occurring to test and treat cases.

The college originally released information in response to the Coronavirus in the Superintendent/President’s weekly email on January 29th and issued a follow up message in the last edition of Three Minutes of News. Although there does not appear to be an immediate risk on the campus at this time, it is important to note, Dr. Patrick Savaiano and the health services team have a comprehensive protocol to treat students who are exhibiting symptoms of the Coronavirus. To date, we have no detected cases. To further discuss and prepare should any case arise or in the situation of an unforeseen increase in cases throughout the County, Dr. Patrick Savaiano and our health services team will be joining Executive Cabinet on Monday, March 2 and SPC on Tuesday, March 3 to further discuss a Preparedness Plan for Palomar.

It is important not to incite panic or stress on colleagues and students at this time. Rest assured, as a College we have the experts on-hand and we will share more information as it is available.

If you have questions, please send them to Dr. Savaiano at ext. 2642 or <psavaiano@palomar.edu>

Cheers,

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