



March 2020

## Hoping you are all well!

Wow! What a whirlwind the past couple of weeks have been! So many things have changed or are on hold indefinitely to help fight this pandemic. I hope that you are all well and able to roll with the constant change! My anxiety has been high, especially since my husband and family all live very far from me, but I am staying positive and doing what I can to help out in my community.

You may have heard that CNCC and all Colorado Community Colleges have moved to remote learning for the remainder of the semester. Individual plans are being made for those programs that require face-to-face or hands-on training, such as aviation, nursing, dental hygiene, cosmetology and other Career Tech programs.

As of this moment, students are still able to stay in campus housing, if needed, but things change frequently these days. Many students will opt to stay at home to finish out this semester.

All departments are still working, but many staff and faculty are working remotely as the guidelines for social distancing recommend no more than 50% of the workforce be on campus and no more than 10 be gathered at a time.

We are focused on ensuring that all of our students have what they need to successfully complete this semester. That is our reason for existing.

**If you would like to keep up with what's going on with campus due to the COVID-19 pandemic, go to <https://cncc.edu/cncc-covid-19-updates>.** All communications are being shared there to keep everyone up to date.

Let us know how you are coping by emailing me at [sue.samaniego@cncc.edu](mailto:sue.samaniego@cncc.edu).



# You are invited to the CNCC Foundation Online Auction

With the cancellation of the CNCC Foundation Dinner in response to the recommendations provided to decrease the spread of COVID-19, we are moving forward with a modified, virtual auction event. **The Foundation Dinner raises 20-25% of all funds raised to support student scholarships and CNCC programs each year.**

This event will help us meet our matching grants for next year's scholarship funds and provide program supports such as technology and equipment upgrades.

**We look forward to "seeing" you on Saturday, March 28th for our online auction! The live auction will run on that day only, but the silent auction will continue through the 31<sup>st</sup> at 5 p.m.**

I will be entering items into the catalog as I receive them. Expect continued updates until the auctions go live. Feel free to spread the word to those who would have attended or who might be interested in bidding now that it is a virtual event. During the live auction, we will be doing live updates on our Facebook page using Facebook live to make it more interactive and fun.

## **Auction website:**

<https://events.readysetauction.com/coloradonorthwesterncommunitycollege/auction2020>

**You can also link to the auction from:** <https://cncc.edu/cncc-foundation-news>

**The "live" auction will be on March 28 beginning at 7 p.m. with items opening and closing between 7 and 8:30 p.m. Each item will have a 15-minute bid window. We will broadcast live on CNCC's Facebook page throughout the evening to keep the energy up and make it fun.** While this is not truly a live auction, the fast pace will be more like one due to the short bidding windows.

You can start to bid once the auction opens. Bidders will need to register to bid.

People are also able to donate through the link above, if they are not interested in bidding on an item. Please forward this information to anyone you think may be interested in participating in the auctions or donating.

We understand that this is a time of uncertainty and understand that your participation may be limited because of that. As you know, the success of our event depends on the generosity of the friends of Colorado Northwestern Community College Foundation: families, businesses and community members. **We greatly appreciate your past support and hope you will continue to support CNCC into the future.**

Take care of yourself and your loved ones!

Sincerely,

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