

# **NC Community College System Response to COVID-19**

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# Overview

- NCCCS response to COVID-19
- Ongoing and upcoming challenges
- Immediate and future needs

# NCCCS Response to COVID-19

- Shifted to online instruction for most courses
- Continuing in-person public health and public safety training *in compliance with CDC guidelines* and agreement by faculty and students
- Increased flexibility for colleges
- Created [www.ncccommunitycolleges.edu/covid-19-response](http://www.ncccommunitycolleges.edu/covid-19-response) for students and faculty
- Key community partners in local response

# Current Challenges

- Completing classes that were suspended and cannot be taught online
- Student emergency needs
  - Awaiting guidance about federal CARES Act timing and permissible uses

## Current Challenges (cont.)

- Maintaining students' success
  - Student access to technology and internet, especially in rural areas
  - Online student support, simulation, and proctoring
- Uncertain tuition collections in 2019-20

# Immediate Needs

- **Critical need prior to June 30:** Receipt shortfall reserve up to \$25M (NR) dependent upon summer enrollment
- Funds for transitioning to online learning – cost TBD

# Upcoming Challenges

- Uncertainty surrounding resumption of in-person instruction
- Uncertainty about permitted uses of federal CARES Act funding for instructional costs
- Preparing NC's workforce to respond post-pandemic
  - Gearing up to drive NC's recovery from the resulting unemployment crisis, while some training cannot be done online

# Future/Short Session Needs

- **Critical Need for FY 2020-21:** Enrollment growth funding – \$41.5M (R)
  - Stability and capacity
  - Funding critical to meet additional demand for online and to re-start face-to-face instruction



# Questions and Additional Information

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