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ESA Faculty, Administration and Students,

Re: ESA's Response to COVID-19- Updated March 15, 2020

We are committed to keeping our community healthy and safe during the COVID-19 pandemic and want to assure you that we are taking every precaution to protect the health and well-being of the ESA community.

Today, the provincial government cancelled classes at all K-12 schools and post-secondary institutions, including ESA. In response to this cancellation, **ESA will be moving our classes online, effective immediately.**

ESA Administration requests your understanding and patience as we prepare to launch online classes on Tuesday, March 17, 2020. We will be in contact with you by the end of the day, Monday, March 16, 2020 with the following:

- Schedule
- Instructions regarding the online software download (free)
- Our plan for practical, hands on training

If you are scheduled to attend classes at ESA on Monday, March 16, please stay home. Attendance is prohibited.

If you are currently on practicum, please standby. We are consulting with Alberta Health Services.

For the most up-to-date information about COVID-19, please visit the <u>Government of Canada</u> and <u>Alberta Health</u> websites.

We remain committed to keeping you updated about our planning, preparation and implementation.

We are committed to your success in our program. We are evolving as quickly as possible to ensure a seamless transition from a traditional classroom setting to an online classroom because your education is of greatest importance. When we are permitted, we will schedule all hands on practical training and additional study sessions. We want you to be successful in your program so you can continue on to a fulfilling career in emergency services. When you are successful, we are successful.

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Please consider Monday a bonus personal day- sleep in, study, exercise, and connect (remotely) with friends or family members. We will be in contact with you shortly as we transition to an online classroom.

Best Regards,

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