



## Thursday, March 12, 2020, Resident Life Update

Dear Jones College Housing Resident:

As we continue to monitor coronavirus developments, please read the following updates:

**Current Status:** No cases of coronavirus have been reported at Jones College and no students are presenting any symptoms.

**School Dismissal:** Following the completion of classes today, March 12, 2020, campus will close. **Resident housing will close at 6:30 P.M. today.** If you have a night class or other significant issue that prevents you from meeting this deadline, please email [housing@jcjc.edu](mailto:housing@jcjc.edu) to notify the Director of Housing that you will be leaving campus later. You will not be allowed to return to campus. Please follow routine dorm-closing procedures below:

- Remove all perishable food items from your room and fridge.
- Unplug and move your refrigerator to the bathroom.
- Take home any dirty laundry
- Leave A.C./Heat units on.
- Take home any valuables
- Lock your door.
- Leave your room clean.
- Have all trash out by 11 A.M today, March 12, 2020.

In the event that Jones College moves to a “Learn from Home” format, further instructions will be issued regarding a specific move-out date.

**Spring Break Travel:** If you are planning to travel for spring break, or any other reason, you are strongly encouraged to check the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s COVID-19 travel page, State Department travel advisories, and the World Health Organization travel advice for the latest information before departing. While the college does not set requirements for personal travel, we strongly urge you to forgo travel to areas with active community transmission.

If you choose to travel to a location with sustained transmission, as designated by the CDC, you will be asked to stay home for 14 days from the time you left an area with sustained community spread (Level 2 or 3 Travel Health Notice countries). Jones College has created a mandatory COVID-19 Self-Reporting Form for all students traveling from or through any location that has been designated as Level 1, 2, 3 by the CDC for COVID-19.

Whether you decide to travel or not, remember to follow the CDC's guidelines for hygiene. We strongly encourage you to consider the overall risks associated with your decisions related to spring break or other travel. Travel alerts and self-isolation requirements may change quickly as the situation evolves. Self-isolation requires that you do not come to campus including work, residence halls, classes, athletic events, or other social gatherings until 14 days from the initial contact. If you are traveling, please discuss your plans with your family and emergency contacts and give them your detailed travel itinerary.

**International Travel:** The CDC explicitly recommended that Institutions of Higher Education consider postponing or canceling international travel programs. Based on that recommendation, Jones College is officially suspending college-sponsored international travel. Also, the college is suspending college-sponsored travel to U.S. cities that have declared a State-of-Emergency in response to COVID-19.

**Campus Return:** The **COVID-19 Self-Reporting Form** should be completed by all students upon return from spring break and before admittance to resident halls will be allowed on Sunday, March 22, 2020. Scan the QR Code below to complete this form.



**Classes:** Classes at Jones College will resume as scheduled on March 23, 2020.

#### **Resource Links:**

**Jones College COVID-19 Resource:** <https://www.jcjc.edu/covid-19/>

**CDC Travel:** <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html>

**CDC Cruise Ship Travel:** <https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/page/covid-19-cruise-ship>

#### **CDC Airline Travel:**

<https://www.cdc.gov/quarantine/air/managing-sick-travelers/ncov-airlines.html>

Currently, the college plans to operate under normal operations and return from Spring Break on Monday, March 23, 2020. If changes to campus operations occur, we will communicate updates through campus email, the emergency text message system, the Jones College website, social media, and local media channels.

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