



Information on Novel Coronavirus COVID-19

Update: March 17, 2020

The safety and wellness of our students and employees are at the forefront of all decisions being made during this uncertain and unprecedented time. After serious consideration and on information received overnight from the Pennsylvania Department of Education the school will voluntary suspend classes at this time. We are actively monitoring guidance provided by local government and public health official.

We are creating some plans for classes to be offered remotely through a couple of different formats and will advise students shortly. Our expectations are that all students will have regular contact with their instructor.

Provided circumstances allow, we are hoping to be able to resume classes on Monday, March 30, 2020. Please check your email, the PMI website, PMI Facebook page and text messages for PMI updates.



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Precision Manufacturing Institute is committed to acting in our students' best interest all matters of health, safety and education. Our approach to operations, in light of the current Coronavirus situation, will change and evolve as new information becomes available. We are actively monitoring guidance provided by local government and public health official.

Our current official policy and approach is explained below. For questions regarding this matter, please contact Director Ed Petrunak at (814) 333-2415.

- Any PMI student or employee exhibiting flu-like symptoms should call off and stay at home until 24 hours after symptoms cease.
- At Precision Manufacturing Institute our programs are designed with the considerable amount of instruction being "hands-on" in labs and due in part to this educational requirement, our school will remain open at this time. This decision is subject to change based on developing information.
- The school does not offer residence housing and has all of our students living in off campus facilities.
- PMI has augmented our normal cleaning procedures. We are working with our suppliers and cleaning personnel to prepare as the situation evolves.
- At Precision Manufacturing Institute classes are small. With the small class sizes the interaction and close contact between individuals is easily managed.
- Flexibility with regards to attendance accommodations will be available. Students can communicate the School Director on these situations.

We continue to follow the guidelines of the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and the Pennsylvania Department of Health in our efforts to protect our school community.

Employees and students can also aid in preventing the spread of respiratory illness by following the CDC's recommendations:

1. Practice proper handwashing techniques. Wash your hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
2. Avoid close contact with anyone who is sick.
3. Cough/sneeze into your elbow or cover your face with a tissue and immediately dispose of it.
4. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
5. Regularly disinfect objects and surfaces.
6. Stay home when you're not feeling well.

Due to the nature of the school's operation at this point in time we will remain open under our normal school schedule. This is subject to change based on new information. We thank you all for your patience and level-headedness as we proceed through this coming weeks.