



RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE  
Office of the President

Dear RIC Neighbors:

The Rhode Island National Guard (RING) Civil Support Team, working with the Rhode Island Emergency Management Agency (RI EMA), has identified the college as a new coronavirus (COVID-19) testing site location within Providence County.

On **Sunday, March 29**, RING will establish a secure testing site in Parking Lot B, the college's main commuter parking lot, with the goal of testing up to 300 people per day. Approximately 50 medical and security personnel will begin on-site testing for COVID-19 this **Monday, March 30**. Testing will be **by appointment only** and will occur between the hours of 9 a.m.–3 p.m., seven days per week. In addition to Parking Lot B, the personnel assigned to the testing site will be utilizing shower facilities within the Recreation Center. All personnel working on-site will park in Parking Lot A.

The college has a critical role in supporting the state efforts to significantly increase the amount of testing across Rhode Island. We will continue to work with the RING, RI EMA and other health officials to support the health of our community, while making sure that the business of the college continues.

We recognize that as the response to COVID-19 continues to expand, many may feel a sense of anxiety and fear. We join national and state health professionals in urging the community to follow healthcare guidelines and hygiene practices and remain calm as we work together to minimize the impact of COVID-19 within our community.

As the virus and the response continue to evolve, please review our [website](#) for steps that the college is taking regarding COVID-19. **To make an appointment, please call your primary care physician.**

Thank you for your support of Rhode Island College. Please know that my thoughts and wishes for good health and safety are with each you during this difficult time.

Yours in education,

Frank D. Sánchez  
President