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North Orange County Community College District To Continue Online Classes Throughout the Spring 2021 Semester

Anaheim, Calif. –Dr. Cheryl Marshall, the Chancellor for North Orange County Community College District (NOCCCD), announced today that Cypress College, Fullerton College, and North Orange Continuing Education (NOCE) will offer Spring 2021 Semester courses primarily online. Along with many other schools and colleges, NOCCCD closed all campuses and transitioned to online/remote learning in mid-March due to the COVID-19 pandemic and social distancing orders.

“Because our schedules have to be produced so far ahead of each semester, the decision about Spring 2021 classes must be made now,” said Dr. Marshall. “In this COVID-19 environment, safety considerations for our students, faculty, and staff are our main priority, and they do not allow us to transition to primarily in-person instruction at this time. When the science and technology allows, we will begin to open our campuses more.”

Although courses are being taught remotely, all three NOCCCD schools are offering a robust menu of student support services including counseling, tutoring, and even emergency aid. Notification to students and the community will go out once the Spring Class Schedules are posted on each school’s respective websites. 2021 Spring Semester registration will begin in November 2020 for the credit colleges and December 2020 for NOCE; courses start in January 2021.

Currently, most Fall 2020 courses are being taught remotely, with some classes still being held on campus. Classes being taught on-site have critical in-person components and are following safety protocols

and physical distancing regulations. Examples of current on-site classes for Cypress College and Fullerton College include: Health Sciences, Career Technical Education, Fine Arts, and Physical Education courses. NOCE classes being taught on campus during Fall include: Medical Assisting, Pharmacy Tech Lab, ESL Assessments, and Electrical Lab.

This decision is in alignment with most other California Community Colleges that are keeping the bulk of their Spring 2021 Semester courses in remote status. NOCCCD will continue to comply with new state orders and federal regulations as they are released. “We look forward to welcoming our students, staff, and the community back onto our campuses as soon as we are able,” said Chancellor Marshall. “No matter the challenges, we will continue to provide high quality education and student services to our communities.”

NOCCCD Background

Two of the state’s premiere colleges and most extensive continuing education program combine to provide the quality educational programming of the North Orange County Community College District (NOCCCD). Nearly 78,000 students enroll each term at Cypress College, Fullerton College, and North Orange Continuing Education. College students are able to shape their futures in programs leading to associate degrees, vocational certificates, and transfer opportunities. Life-long learning also is possible in continuing education programs that range from high school completion and basic skills mastery through an array of career training and self-development courses. The NOCCCD campuses serve an area of over one million diverse people – each pursuing their own, unique ambitions.

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