

March 5, 2021

Dear Families and Supporters of Our Students:

Please know that I understand that you must be feeling some degree of anxiety and uncertainty about the news I sent out earlier this week regarding the financial status of the College. Trust that I have read each and every email from you and your students; I know there are still so many unanswered questions. As you read in the statement, and due in large part to the COVID-19 pandemic, the ultimate decision of whether the College can continue into next year with any degree of certainty will be made by the Board of Trustees—and I know that students and their families are at the center of their discussions.

I can assure you that your student will complete this semester, and we will graduate our seniors. It is vital to remind your student that completing this semester and being academically successful will be crucial, regardless of their class year or program of study.

In the event that the Board decides to make the difficult decision to close Becker College, we are working to prepare academic pathways for each academic program so your student can transfer. These agreements should allow your student to move to a new institution without worrying about deadlines that most institutions have in place for admissions decisions. Students are certainly able to explore their own pathways and speak with schools to discuss transferring; however, the pathways we would be required to offer under state contingency closure requirements would take into account your student's anticipated graduation year and credits completed with satisfactory grades, and would also seek to include financial packages at the same cost or lower than their Becker College costs.

As soon as I have information to share, I will do so. We are in the process of preparing a web page with frequently asked questions and other information; we will be adding information to that site as it becomes available. You may also email president@becker.edu. Due to the large volume of emails, please be patient; we will strive to answer your email in a timely fashion.

Please urge your student to continue to attend classes, ensure their CoVerified app shows CLEARED by entering their daily symptoms and continuing with their COVID-19 testing schedule, and strive to do their very best to be successful this semester. I understand the news that we shared is quite distracting. [Counseling Services](#) is available to assist our students (508.373.9551; counseling@becker.edu).

I love everything about Becker: its mission and core values, its close-knit community, and its place not just in the Worcester community, but well beyond. I want our students to realize their dreams and passions, reach their highest potential, and be prepared to achieve something great and meaningful in their lives. Education will always be the key that unlocks the doors to their future success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nancy", written in a cursive style.

Nancy P. Crimmin, Ed.D.
President