

# Alerts - Emergency Notifications

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Lee College has a state-of-the-art notification system. This system is set up to send you vital information: emergency alerts such as campus closings and weather advisories, as well as urgent messages regarding registration and financial aid.

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## Latest Notifications

### **Fully Operational Campus — Posted Sept. 15, 2021**

Lee College will be fully operational Thursday, Sept. 16, with all buildings (including the ATC, PAC, and McNulty-Haddick) open for students, faculty members, and staff members.

### **Reopening — Posted Tue., Sept. 14, 2021**

Lee College will be open Wednesday, Sept. 15. However, the PAC, ATC, and McNulty-Haddick buildings will be closed.

If these building closures affect you:

- Students: Wait for information from your instructors
- Faculty members: Contact your students
- Staff members: Expect a communication from Human Resources

### **Campus Closure Announcement — Sept. 13, 2021**

Dear Lee College Family,

Beginning later today, Tropical Storm Nicholas is predicted to bring the possibility of heavy rains, strong winds, and flooding to our campus and region. With the health and safety of our students, employees, and their families as our priority, we are taking the following steps:

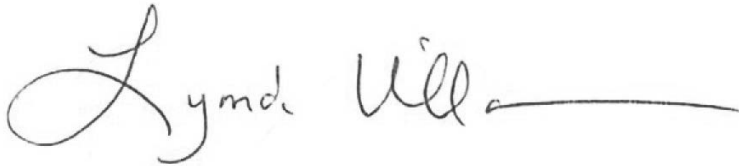
- The Lee College Baytown campuses and Liberty Education Center will close at 5:15 p.m. today, Monday, Sept. 13, 2021 and evening classes tonight are canceled.
- The Baytown campuses and Liberty Education Center will be closed tomorrow, Tuesday, Sept. 14, 2021, and no in-person or online classes will be held.
- The Lee College Huntsville campus will be open and operating with normal working hours.
- Only essential personnel (i.e., security officers) are allowed on campus when the college is closed.
- Hourly and non-exempt employees (i.e., classified staff) are not to work from home while the campus is closed.

Additionally, employees are not to return to campus without clearance from the president or the president's designee.

I encourage you to enroll for emergency alerts on this page and frequently monitor our college website for updates. Please take all necessary precautions to keep yourselves and your families safe as we weather this storm.

We will continue to monitor the situation and I will provide you another update tomorrow regarding our plan for Wednesday, Sept. 15.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lynda Villanueva". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Dr. Lynda Villanueva  
President, Lee College

### **Tropical Storm Nicholas — Sept. 12, 2021**

Lee College is currently monitoring Tropical Storm Nicholas. Please visit this site often for updates.

### **Face-to-Face Classes Canceled Feb. 22, 2021**

Lee College face-to-face classes are canceled for Monday, February 22. Online classes, LeeStreams, and the online portion of hybrid classes will take place as scheduled. Maintenance and custodial staff members should report to work on Monday as scheduled to repair damage and clean up after the winter storm. Staff members required to maintain public safety and other essential functions should also report to work as scheduled. Student services and library services will be available online.

Administrative offices are closed. Computer labs are closed. All in-person activities and events are canceled. Decisions about Tuesday, Feb. 23, will be made by 3 p.m. Monday, Feb. 22.

Please stay safe.

### **All Classes Resume Tuesday, Feb. 23, 2021**

All Lee College classes on all campuses will resume their normal schedule Tuesday, Feb. 23. Heat is still being restored in some buildings, so bring warm clothing in case your classroom is cooler than usual.

Compensation for full-time and part-time employees who missed work because of the winter storm requires approval by the board; a proposal to provide compensation will be considered at the board meeting that has been rescheduled for Tuesday evening.

## **Friday closure, Feb. 19, 2021**

Because of continued widespread power and water outages, Lee College is closed through Friday, Feb. 19. All classes are canceled. Administrative offices are closed.

Only staff members required to maintain essential functions remain at work. Student support, library, and computer labs are closed. All activities and events are canceled, including the Board of Regents meeting that was scheduled for Thursday evening. All public safety services continue. We expect to resume normal operations Monday, Feb. 22.

Please stay safe.

## **College Closed Feb. 18, 2021**

Because of continued widespread power and water outages, Lee College is closed through Thursday, Feb. 18. All classes are canceled. Administrative offices are closed. Only staff members required to maintain essential functions remain at work. Student support, library, and computer labs are closed. All activities and events are canceled, including the Board of Regents meeting that was scheduled for Thursday evening. All public safety services continue. Decisions about Friday, Feb. 19, will be made by 3 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18. Please stay safe.

The campus closure policy is available at [www.lee.edu/alerts/campus-closure/](http://www.lee.edu/alerts/campus-closure/).

## **College Closed Feb. 16-17, 2021**

Because of widespread power and water outages, Lee College is closed today, Tuesday, Feb. 16, and tomorrow, Wednesday, Feb. 17. All classes are canceled. Administrative offices are closed. Only staff members required to maintain essential functions remain at work. Student support, the library, and computer labs are closed. All activities and events are canceled. All public safety services continue.

Decisions about Thursday, Feb. 18, will be made by 3 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17. Please stay safe.

The campus closure policy is available at [www.lee.edu/alerts/campus-closure/](http://www.lee.edu/alerts/campus-closure/).

## **Tropical Storm Beta — 9/20/2020 2:43 p.m.**

As Tropical Storm Beta slowly makes its way along the coast, we are expecting significant rainfall and high winds from this evening through Wednesday evening. The National Weather Service issued a tropical storm warning for our area, and Chambers County Judge Jimmy Sylvia issued a voluntary evacuation order for low-lying and flood-prone areas. In the interest of safety, Lee College will excuse absences for students and employees on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday if they need to attend to their safety during this time. What this means for students is that if they are going to miss class, they should inform their instructor as soon as possible, and the instructor will extend deadlines, provide opportunities to make up work they missed, and will not count the absences if attendance is part of the student's grade. Students should also double-check to see if any of their classes are canceled. What this means for faculty is that they can notify their division chair if they are unable to teach, and the division chair will either

assign a substitute instructor or cancel class and notify students. What this means for employees is that they can take vacation or personal days and supervisors will make accommodations appropriate to the employee's situation. Employees should inform their supervisor and HR as soon as possible.

Your safety is a top priority for all the members of the Lee College Community. Please do not take unnecessary risks just to come to campus. Conditions and hazards are often quite different in nearby locations and are subject to change rapidly. Do not travel through accumulating water on any roadway, and if it is your only route, it may not be passable when you attempt to return.

Please visit [lee.edu/alerts](http://lee.edu/alerts) frequently to check for any updates on this emerging weather situation.

### **Campus Closure — 8/25/2020, 1:09 p.m.**

Due to local voluntary evacuation orders and the latest weather advisories, all Lee College classes starting after 5 pm this evening are canceled. This is a change from the earlier announcement that evening classes would be held as scheduled today.

### **Campus Closing — Updated 8/25/2020 , 11:01 a.m.**

Lee College continues to monitor advisories from the National Hurricane Center and National Weather Service regarding Tropical Storm Laura. All College classes and operations will be open and available until 10 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 25th, including dual credit courses, online courses, face-to-face courses, Lee Streams courses, and hybrid/blended courses.

Lee College, including the main campus, McNair Campus, and Liberty Center, will be closed Wednesday, August 26th through Friday, Aug. 28. With this closure, college classes scheduled for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday are canceled, including dual credit courses, online courses, face-to-face courses, Lee Streams courses, and hybrid/blended courses.

We will continue to monitor the storm and reevaluate the status of reopening campus. Updates will be posted on this page and Lee College's official social media channels. The Lee College community should also check their myLC email accounts for any messages, and watch for any emergency text messages the college may send. Lee College students, faculty and staff who have not yet signed up for emergency text messages should do so as soon as possible on this page by clicking on Login/ Sign Up button.

We encourage everyone to take precautions and use this time to prepare for the potential heavy winds and rain that may impact our area. Please know the safety of our students and staff is always our top priority. Please visit [www.lee.edu](http://www.lee.edu) for more information on emergency situations.

Local emergency and weather information:

- [Harris County OEM](#)
- [City of Baytown OEM](#)
- [Galveston County OEM](#)
- [National Hurricane Center](#)

- [Houston-Galveston National Weather Service Office](#)
- [National Weather Service Preparedness \(English\)](#)
- [National Weather Service Preparedness \(Spanish\)](#)

## **Severe Weather Watch**

Lee College officials are monitoring two tropical weather systems with potential impacts on our region. The expected path and severity of these storms have changed significantly over the past week and remain unpredictable.

At this time, Hurricane Marco is expected to have a minor effect on campus on Tuesday evening with an increased chance of wind and rain. Hurricane Marco is currently a weak Category 1 hurricane and expected to primarily impact southeast Louisiana, with only a minor impact on our region.

Tropical Storm Laura is currently predicted to arrive on Wednesday afternoon or evening. It is expected that Tropical Storm Laura will strengthen to hurricane status and reach land as a Category 2 hurricane. This hurricane category can bring wind speeds up to 100 mph and the potential for 5-10 inches or more of rain.

Please take this time to prepare should our area be negatively impacted by these storms. Your safety is Lee College's number one priority.

Regular updates will be provided as these two tropical storm systems progress. Please stay alert to the weather forecast for the gulf coast and surrounding areas, and check your Lee College email and social media regularly for updates. The college will send updates about the storm details as they become available.

## **Coronavirus (COVID-19)**

Lee College is monitoring the global concern related to Coronavirus (COVID-19). The health and safety of the Lee College Family is our main priority. Learn more about COVID-19 and the precautions you can take to help reduce the spread of respiratory viruses at [lee.edu/coronavirus](http://lee.edu/coronavirus).

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