Message to Residential Students

Due to the rapid escalation of the COVID-19 pandemic, **UAB needs to minimize the volume of people on campus as quickly as possible** to protect the health and safety of students, faculty and staff, and our community.

**We need your help during this difficult and unprecedented time.** Online classes will begin on Wednesday, March 25, after an extended spring break.

**Students who left campus for spring break:**

- **PLEASE DO NOT RETURN TO CAMPUS.** For safety reasons, returning students cannot be permitted to return to their residence hall until further notice. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Student Housing at studenthousing@uab.edu. We will follow up with you as soon as possible.

**Students still on campus living in a residence hall:**

- **If you have another place to live** and can leave the residence hall, **PLEASE LEAVE CAMPUS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE** but no later than the end of the day Tuesday, March 17. If you do not have another place to live, please contact Student Housing now at studenthousing@uab.edu for guidance and assistance. We will follow up with you as soon as possible.
  - We have consulted at length with COVID-19 experts. For safety reasons, only students who do not have a place to go (e.g., students with an exceptional hardship or international students) can be allowed to stay in a residence hall.
  - **Take any essential belongings and school-related resources you will need with you.**

We are committed to making this transition as smooth as possible. For more COVID-19 updates and information, please check your emails regularly and access the [Students tab at uab.edu/coronavirus](https://uab.edu/coronavirus).