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Fellow Students,

Over the past few weeks, our entire lives have been completely changed. All of us on this campus, and around our world, are living in a new reality – unlike anything we have ever experienced before. As your student leadership team, we have taken a lot of time to observe and to consider what is going on and what our new reality looks like. We wanted to reach out to you today to share with you some of our thoughts.

As students of Colorado State University Pueblo, we know that we are all in this together. Our reality is changing, but so is the reality of every other student living and learning in our community, as well as college students all over the world. Take comfort in the fact that we are not alone, and that our campus and community are doing what it takes to keep us all safe and healthy. Though we are distancing ourselves from each other, the technological world that we live in allows us to still be close in ways that have never before been imagined. With that in mind, we feel that we are the right group of people to take on this task of revamping learning, as we have known it for our entire lives.

Though the faculty and staff of our university are doing everything they can to make this transition seamless for us, the reality is, it is up to students to really make it work. We encourage you to be courageous. Be a champion for your education – as you always have been. Reach out to your professors, and work with them to develop solutions; reach out to your classmates and take advantage of the resources that are being offered to you in an online or distance format.

At home, create a dedicated workspace for yourself – a place where you are both comfortable and productive. Find your favorite study playlist and develop a schedule for yourself. Spend a few hours every day focusing on your coursework, and then find time to do other things you enjoy. Go for a walk, read a good book, take up painting; once you start thinking about it, the possibilities are endless. Set up a Google Hangout, so that you can catch up with your friends. Stay involved with campus by checking the My CSU Pueblo social media pages for virtual events. Take time for yourself during this quarantine, and make sure to check in with your loved ones. They are certainly struggling too.

Social distancing may seem like a burden but remember that we are distancing ourselves, not only to protect ourselves, but also to protect the people we love. Remember that you can and will succeed. One day, when our world goes back to “normal,” we will look back on this time and remember how much we learned and grew from this experience. We look forward to that day, but until then, stay safe, stay healthy, and know that your CSU Pueblo Associated Students’ Government is here to help you. Never hesitate to reach out to us if you need a champion for your education – or your health and wellness.

We wish you the best, and as always, Go Thunderwolves!

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