

# SIIT Program and Facility Closures

SIIT will be suspending programs and services effective immediately at **all SIIT campuses, trade centres, Career Centres, and community learning sites** until Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

## Information for Students in Academic and Trades Programs

SIIT is committed to student success. We are currently determining how students in all programs can complete their programs by the scheduled completion date. SIIT recognizes that personal circumstances are complex and that we must take these factors into consideration while developing alternative learning plans for our students.

Your instructor will be available by phone or email to discuss the status and plan for your program and connect you to available student supports.

## Career Centre Services

Career Centres at all locations will be closed to the public until Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020 (Regina, Yorkton, Saskatoon, North Battleford, Lloydminster, Meadow Lake, Prince Albert, La Ronge, or Creighton).

## Information for Staff

Our staff will continue to receive direction from their immediate supervisor regarding work-from-home expectations. Full-time and term (salaried) employees will continue to receive regular pay. You will not be required to track this time away, or to use any annual leave or sick leave. As you are still receiving regular pay, you are expected to support SIIT operations as required.

Travel is not allowed. Events and meetings should be cancelled/ rescheduled for this time period.

Please utilize our Employee & Family Assistance Program if you are experiencing stress or anxiety at 1-800-663-1142 or [www.homeweb.ca](http://www.homeweb.ca). Homewood Health will continue to offer online counselling services and a large amount of online resources for SIIT staff.

In order to ensure clear communication with all of our stakeholders, please change your voicemail and email automatic reply to reflect an extended absence of March 17<sup>th</sup>- April 5<sup>th</sup> as follows:

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*During this time, I may have limited access to email and phone messages. I apologize for any inconvenience and look forward to connecting when I return to work on April 6<sup>th</sup>. Urgent inquiries can be directed to Lorian Kennedy, Director of Strategic Initiatives at 1-877-282-5622. Messages will be reviewed daily. Regular operational updates will be available to the public on SIIT’s Facebook page.”*

**Further Updates:**

We continue to seek the advice of our cultural and spiritual leaders and would like to share that our elders and knowledge keepers have us in mind during their prayers and ceremony.

In partnership with the FSIN, the Saskatchewan Health Authority, the Government of Saskatchewan, and other post-secondary institutions, SIIT will be working to mitigate risk and determine next steps.

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