

Important message: Wales lockdown and your course at CAVC

This afternoon the First Minister announced that from 6pm Friday 23rd October – Monday 9th November, Wales will enter a 'fire-break' lockdown. This is planned as a short, sharp break to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

During this lockdown you are required to stay at home and follow government guidance, unless you are working in essential services.

What does this mean for you and your College course?

This week

Learning continues this week on campus and online as per your timetable. At the end of Friday 23rd October all Cardiff and Vale College campuses will close for all staff and students.

Monday 26th – Friday 30th October – Half Term

The planned half term break will still take place for all students. During this one week there will be no lessons. You can still access CAVC support services including the Success Centre, Wellbeing and Student Services. Go to the Student Portal my.cavc.ac.uk and log on with your usual college log in details to access this.

Monday 2nd November onwards

From Monday 2nd November term restarts and your learning continues online. You will follow your usual timetable, with all lessons taught online through Microsoft Teams. All our support services will also be available online.

The 'fire break' lockdown is due to end on Monday 9th November. At CAVC we will decide on and communicate plans for Monday 9th November onwards, during the week prior to this, taking into consideration any additional measures then put in place by the Welsh Government. This will include details of campuses opening and plans for on campus and online learning. We will keep you up to date through your teachers and by email to your CAVC Student email. We will also post messages to the CAVC App, by text and on our social media.

This week - preparing for lockdown

This week your teachers and link staff will go through this in your lessons. They will support you so you are ready to learn completely online for a while.

We need to make sure that you are able to learn online:

- that you have an appropriate device to learn on and access to the internet
- that you know how to log on to Microsoft Teams to access your lessons and link with your teachers and your class
- that you can access your Student Email
- that you can access the Student Portal – going to my.cavc.ac.uk and clicking on the first large banner 'Learning from home' for support on learning from home.

If you are unable to learn online your teacher will provide you with a learning pack for you to continue learning at home.

If you have specific concerns regarding your own situation please link with your Course Tutor or a link member of staff.

Here to support each other

We know returning to lockdown is difficult. We would love to all be together, but it is important that we follow government guidance and keep each other safe.

If you are finding it difficult at any point please let us know.

Go to the Student Portal my.cavc.ac.uk , log in with your usual details and click on 'Learning from Home' to access all of our support services. You can also speak to your teacher.

Not sure who to contact or need advice with something? Our Student Services team can help:

Call 02920 250250

Or go to www.cavc.ac.uk and click on the live chat icon to chat online.

We are all in this together and here to help you to keep learning.

Take care and stay safe.