Hello. My name is Kathy Brickner, and I am the assistant vice president of facilities and real estate at HACC, Central Pennsylvania’s Community College.

HACC is using multiple measures in following the guidelines and recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and the Pennsylvania Department of Health to ensure that our buildings are safe, clean and ready for students and employees.

Our custodians and facilities staff received training for proper use of personal protective equipment, electrostatic disinfectant sprayers and the Ultra Violet C Moonbeam3 units that are used to disinfect classrooms, bathrooms, offices and common areas.

Custodians are using a layered strategy for the deep-cleaning of occupied areas, which focuses on the following: deep cleaning and disinfecting touchpoints, disinfecting hard surfaces, fleet and instructional vehicles and certain equipment, as well as vacuuming and cleaning carpets, floors, ceiling lights and diffusers.

All of the disinfecting products that HACC uses have been approved by the Environmental Protection Agency as registered disinfectants that eliminate COVID-19.

Our facilities staff are monitoring our building systems to ensure proper air flow cycles and we are working with heating, ventilation and air condition experts to assess the College’s HVAC systems to ensure a healthy, code-compliant indoor air quality.

As we move forward, the custodial and facilities teams will be redesigning the additional classroom spaces, common areas and offices to ensure proper student and staff spacing. We will be adding plexiglass partitions in many areas and updating all signage to maintain social distancing requirements.

Thank you!