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At the University of Rio Grande and Rio Grande Community College we pride ourselves in making decisions that are in the best interest of our students, staff and faculty. The world is experiencing a pandemic causing our lives to be altered in many ways. Considering our focus on the Rio family, we have decided to temporarily close the Institution until April 6th to allow everyone to focus on their families.

This situation is unique- but so is Rio. We believe in delivering a quality education based on personal interaction. In our rural setting, the lack of high-speed internet access to our students would be a huge barrier. Compounding that with the additional stress to find childcare, focus on their education, and take care of their families during this unprecedented time would create additional burdens for many.

We will be communicating further details with our students, staff, and faculty today and the days to follow. Please continue to monitor your email and refer to our website for updates.

Ryan Smith, President