

September 27, 2022

Dear USF students, faculty and staff,

Hurricane Ian continues to pose a significant threat to the Tampa Bay region. The safety of our community is our highest priority.

**Classes are canceled and will resume on Monday, Oct. 3. Additionally, business operations are closed beginning today through Friday, resuming Monday, Oct. 3, except for essential personnel.** This includes those who have been identified by supervisors as vital to campus operations, including staff to help restore campus operations, assuming safe conditions. All USF buildings, except residence halls, will close and move to emergency mode at noon today.

Only USF employees who are classified as essential personnel and/or those identified by their supervisors as vital to campus operations should report to work, come to campus or work remotely while campuses are closed. Non-essential staff are not expected to work, remotely or otherwise, while campuses are closed. Please contact your supervisor if you are unsure of your status. Please do not return to campus until notified that it is safe to do so.

Residential students from St. Petersburg who remained on campus as of Tuesday morning have been relocated to the Tampa campus, where residence halls are open. USF staff are prepared to support residential students through the duration of the storm.

For frequently asked questions, including hours of operation of our student centers, libraries, dining facilities, campus recreational facilities and wellness services, please see our FAQs [here](#). The FAQs will continue to be updated as more information is available.

We urge students, faculty and staff to plan carefully, follow local weather reports and monitor updates from county and state emergency management officials. The [USF Hurricane Guide](#) also serves as a valuable resource for the university community.

USF leadership will continue to monitor the storm and provide updates as needed. Any significant updates regarding changes to normal business operations will be shared via [www.usf.edu](http://www.usf.edu), USF's official social media channels, MyUSF and email. The USF Call Center will be available from 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday at 855-699-2710.