



## Bay State College

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Dear Bay State Students,

I write to give you an update on Bay State College. The appeals panel of the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE) has affirmed NECHE's decision to withdraw Bay State College's accreditation at the end of August 2023. Without NECHE accreditation, the College will not be able to disburse Title IV funding to its students for classes after August. The College will not be able to disburse VA funding to its students for classes after the Spring Semester ends.

Again, our thoughts are first for you, our students, and your well-being. We will continue to work with you to complete the individualized educational pathway that drew you here, and which you have come to expect. Now, it is time to think about the future, as the College best serves you through this process.

It is important to emphasize that we will remain open at a minimum through the end of August, and we will continue to deliver high quality education. If you are scheduled to graduate in May or August 2023, this decision will not affect your progress to your degree. Nursing graduates for May and August will remain eligible to take NCLEX and become a licensed registered nurse. PTA graduates for May and August will also remain eligible for their licensure examinations.

If you were scheduled to graduate after August 2023, the College remains committed to working to give you transfer options to another institution in as seamless way as possible. We have completed transfer agreements with several area schools. Students may also choose to transfer to another college of their choice, and students should remain mindful that any evaluation and decision on transfer credits are made by the college to which the student transfers. Bay State Students may obtain free transcripts by contacting the Registrar's Office at [registrarsoffice@baystate.edu](mailto:registrarsoffice@baystate.edu).

We continue to have people on campus to support you through these terms. Bay State College's Office of Outplacement Services has dedicated staff members to support all of our students. If you have any questions, you can reach the Office by calling 617-217-9080, or emailing [cmcinnis@baystate.edu](mailto:cmcinnis@baystate.edu).

More information can be found on the NECHE website at [neche.org](http://neche.org).

We will continue to communicate regularly with you throughout the spring.

Sincerely,

Jeff Mason  
Interim President  
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