WELCOME BACK TIGERS TO THIS WEEK'S IMC3 NEWSCAST. I AM *YOUR NAME,* LET'S GET STARTED.

THE 5TH ANNUAL IMC THREE COMPETITION HAS NOW BEEN MOVED ONLINE BECAUSE OF THE STATEWIDE SHELTER-IN-PLACE ORDER, DUE TO COVID-19.

THIS YEAR, STUDENTS HAVE
BEEN ASKED TO UPLOAD THEIR
COMPETITION MATERIALS TO AN
ONLINE WEBSITE HOSTING THE
CONFERENCE.

THE VIRTUAL CONFERENCE IS THE FIRST OF ITS KIND AT THE

UNIVERSITY, AND INCLUDES PARTICIPANTS FROM SEVEN HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE STATE OF ALABAMA.

PARTICIPANTS, FROM HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMEN TO SENIORS, WILL COMPETE IN ONE OF SEVEN COMPETITIONS, TAKE A

VIRTUAL CAMPUS TOUR, AND HEAR FROM FOUR SPEAKERS. ###

IN POLITICAL NEWS, BERNIE
SANDERS HAS NOW ENDORSED
MAIN OPPONENT JOE BIDEN
AFTER CEASING HIS CAMPAIGN

FOR THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE FOR PRESIDENT. THIS IS THE SECOND ELECTION IN A ROW THAT SANDERS HAS DROPPED OUT, SANDERS RAN IN 2016, BUT LOST THE PRESIDENCY TO REPUBLICAN NOMINEE

DONALD TRUMP.

THE WORLDWIDE ECONOMY
HAS TAKEN A HIT, DUE TO
CLOSURES OF MANY
RESTAURANTS, SMALL
BUSINESSES, AND TOURIST

ATTRACTIONS IN THE LAST TWO MONTHS.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA RECENTLY INTRODUCED A PLAN TO IMMEDIATELY OPEN SMALL BUSINESSES, AND TO OPEN BEACHES AND LARGER BUSINESSES BY MAY 1.

THE PLAN STILL REQUIRES APPROVAL AT THE STATE LEVEL.

THE USE OF THE VIRAL PHONE APPLICATION TIKTOK HAS NOW

INCREASED TO OVER 500 MILLION MONTHLY USERS. TIKTOK, FORMERLY KNOWN AS MUSICALLY, HAS BEEN A RECENT HIT FOR PEOPLE OF ALL AGES. USERS AVERAGE OVER ONE HOUR EACH DAY ON THE APP, PARTICIPATING IN DANCE

CHALLENGES, CREATING FUNNY VIDEOS AND GENERATING VIRAL "HYPE HOUSES."
EXPERTS SAY THE APP IS SIMILAR TO THE 2013 APP, VINE. ###

THOSE ARE THE TOP HEADLINES OF THE WEEK. THANK YOU FOR TUNING IN, I,'M (*YOUR NAME,) AND THIS IS IMC3. ###