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Dear LSC Community:

As we approach the end of July 2020, we can see the angle of the sun has changed. Days are getting a little shorter, and my morning walk has a little less light, which means I don't always see the rabbits my dogs would love to chase. Oh yes, and that means we are rapidly approaching the start of fall semester. I have observed wonderful compliance with our mask requirements, with people remembering to mask up when they leave their personal offices, masking in hallways and restrooms, and practicing social distancing at meetings and conversations. Well done, Icehawks!

Our main campus is buzzing with various facilities updates, office moves, and the general spruce-up of the campus. Circle drive is almost complete and will be much safer as well as much more attractive.

Our faculty and Deans have once again performed the Herculean efforts to plan for fall classes with various scenarios at the ready. Many folks have shifted face to face time toward the beginning of the semester to ensure that they are able to get the hours needed for a great learning experience, should we have to shift to all online. Many thanks for all of the great work!

The LSC staff...heroes all! From our outstanding GMWs, to the support staff in offices, to the financial aid folks, fantastic IT team, career services and TRIO staff, bookstore, admissions team and advisors, Diversity office, registrar's team, counselors, safety and security, and records and business staff, the CECT team, our amazing Marketing and Advancement team, the terrific HR team, our Deans and supervisors, and our Vice-Presidents (who have I missed? My apologies if I have!), all working to ensure that LSC provides the best teaching and learning experience for all students.

And our students...wow. Even knowing we will have very limited athletics this year, students have responded positively to our planning. Prospective students are touring daily, and enrollment is moving in the right direction. Current students returning to attend classes this summer are excited about the plans, looking forward to our campus improvements, and report that they feel safe and healthy.

More planning is going on, particularly as we ramp up our new strategic plans that have at their core the goals and actions embedded in Equity 2030. I've said this before: we are not going back to normal! We are going to be <u>much better</u> than we were last year because we are taking aggressive and positive action to respond to the two pandemics: COVID-19 and systemic racism. (See my Campus Update from June 2, 2020.)

Thank you, Icehawks! Keep moving forward.

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