Dear Red Raiders,

The last few months have been difficult and trying times for so many of you and your families. We are incredibly grateful that despite these challenging times, you have chosen to continue your education at Texas Tech.

Our students are the heartbeat of this university and we look forward to welcoming you back this fall. We are equally excited to welcome the Class of 2024 and have no doubt that you will achieve great things during your time on campus.

At Texas Tech, our top priority is the health, safety, and well-being of our students, faculty, and staff. With your safety in mind, we are unveiling our Texas Tech Commitment — a comprehensive plan that includes new procedures designed to help protect you, your family members and friends.

There will be enhanced sanitization efforts, resources for health screenings, access to personal protective equipment, workplace and classroom wellness guidance, and social distancing protocols. You will be strongly encouraged to wear a face mask or appropriate face covering whenever possible. In some areas where social distancing cannot be achieved, masks or appropriate face coverings may be required. Signage or other forms of communication will designate areas that require the use of a face mask or appropriate face covering. When you arrive on campus, you will be provided with a Texas Tech branded face mask and additional items to help protect your health.

With the addition of these new procedures, along with attention to personal hygiene, proper social distancing, and self-care, we can all do our part to protect our campus community.

Our course modalities for this fall will remain flexible with more than two-thirds of our courses being taught using some degree of face-to-face instruction. For first-year students, 80 percent of our 1000 level courses will be offered using a mixture of face-to-face and hybrid instruction. In accordance with state and federal guidance, we will limit classroom capacity and strongly encourage the use of face coverings. We will continue to adapt room assignments as needed but do not anticipate a need to make changes that would substantially affect student schedules. If you have any questions or concerns about your schedule, please contact your academic advisor.

There is simply no substitute for the on-campus collegiate experience, especially like the one that we provide here at Texas Tech. When you arrive on our campus you will be met by people who have a genuine interest in your success and will do everything possible to provide you with a safe and welcoming learning environment.

I hope you have a great summer and look forward to seeing you this fall.

Wreck ‘Em Tech!

Lawrence Schovanec
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