MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 18, 2017
TO: Texas Tech University Faculty and Staff
FROM: Lawrence Schovanec, President
SUBJECT: President’s Leadership Institute

The Fifth Annual President’s Leadership Institute (PLI) will get underway this fall and offers opportunities for faculty and staff to engage with administrative leadership and learn the tools and styles that comprise leadership in higher education. I invite those interested to apply, and ask supervisors to encourage their faculty and staff to take advantage of this opportunity.

Following four successful years of this program, we are introducing enhancements this year that will further the PLI’s mission, which is to "empower faculty and staff with a leadership foundation for the next century guided by principles of engagement, innovation, inclusiveness, and impact." Those enhancements include modules that deal with changes in the curriculum and inclusivity. We also are implementing continued leadership development lunches and learning sessions for PLI alumni.

David Miller returns to facilitate the program and we are all fortunate to have someone of his caliber involved. David is a Texas Tech graduate, former mayor of Lubbock, and a national motivational speaker and leadership coach.

Each year 20 aspiring leaders across campus are selected to participate in this innovative program and each year these faculty and staff return to their colleges and departments and begin demonstrating the skillset and traits of leadership. There are currently 80 graduates of the program across campus. If you are interested in strengthening your leadership skills, please consider this opportunity. Applications will be accepted through August 31, 2017. More information regarding this institute, along with application materials can be found at the President's Leadership Institute website.