



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

Office of the President™

June 18, 2020

Dear Texas Tech University Community,

Tomorrow, we will close to commemorate Juneteenth. In Galveston, Texas, enslaved African Americans learned of their freedom on June 19, 1865, when a federal order confirmed the proclamation that slaves in Texas were free. This day has long been celebrated as an Independence Day for African Americans.

Classes will be dismissed for the day, and only essential personnel are required to report to work. I encourage all members of our University community to take a moment, reflect on our nation's past and present, and join together to work toward a better future for all.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lawrence Schovanec".

Lawrence Schovanec
President
Texas Tech University