Dear Texas Tech community,

Over the last year, our faculty, staff, and students displayed remarkable resolve in an extraordinary period in Texas Tech University’s history. As we began to understand the impact of COVID-19 on our university community, Lubbock, and the surrounding area, I was heartened by the teamwork and selfless service of our students, staff, faculty, and local residents. We worked through numerous modifications to our schedule and tried to balance safety of our community while providing many traditional aspects of campus life.

Together, we surpassed our goals and established new benchmarks, all while continuing to provide the best educational experience possible for our students. For the 12th consecutive year, we experienced record growth as our enrollment surpassed 40,000 for the first time. We also reached new records in first-year students, diversity, graduate, and first-generation enrollment. While higher education across the nation experienced a decrease in enrollment, we grew by four percent.

Our research enterprise also achieved record levels of expenditures, new awards, and doctorates awarded. This was accomplished as many of our faculty paused their work to assist in the manufacture of personal protection equipment and collecting tens of thousands of safety materials for local and regional health care providers. The achievements of faculty and staff that helped strengthen our status as a Carnegie R1 institution were only transcended by the compassion and care they showed the campus and surrounding communities.

I invite you to take a closer look at Texas Tech’s accomplishments from the last year in the 2020 President’s Report.

Sincerely,

Lawrence Schovanec
President
Texas Tech University

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