



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 6, 2019

TO: Administration, Deans, Chairs, Faculty

FROM: Lawrence Schovanec, President  
Michael Galyean, Provost  
Joseph A. Heppert, Vice President for Research & Innovation

RE: President's Departmental Safety Award Submission Process

Earlier this semester, the Offices of the President, Provost, and Vice President for Research & Innovation announced the creation of a new award recognizing departments and academic units for their commitment to the continuous improvement of safety culture on campus. The submission process is now available online and described in detail at <https://www.depts.ttu.edu/ehs/recognition/dept-safety-award.php>.

Applications will be accepted through December 20th for the first award cycle. Departments are asked to document a commitment to safety culture, including metrics from the TTU compliance committees, and a plan on how award funds will be used to improve safety infrastructure or further the department's mission to improve safety culture for faculty, staff, and students.

This award will recognize departments or academic units that attain distinction in commitment to safety and establishment of notable safety practices. The award will be presented to one academic unit per academic year, and carries a financial award of \$25,000 to be used to further the safety mission of the department.

This award underscores the University's continual commitment to safety in research and scholarly activity, and seeks to recognize programs across campus for their safety efforts.

We would like to thank our campus community for its continued service to the University and attention in continually seeking ways to strengthen our safety culture.