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To: Students
Subject: Welcome back from President Patrick and Vice President Mmeje

Dear Mustangs,

Welcome back and happy first few weeks of spring semester! We hope you are enjoying the newly renovated Hughes-Trigg Student Center and looking forward to an active and memorable semester.

We want to first applaud everyone for your efforts this fall semester. With our persistence, consideration of others, and dedication to the Pledge to Protect, we were able to successfully return to classes while minimizing the spread of COVID-19 in the fall.

In August, we asked you all to keep in mind that the sacrifices we make today ensure our tomorrow. Well, that is truer now more than ever. As we begin this spring semester, the COVID pandemic continues. While we can begin to see a hopeful future with the rollout of the vaccine and case numbers declining, we must maintain the same persistence, consideration of others, and dedication to campus safety as we did last semester. In order to limit the spread of COVID within our community, we ask that everyone commit to the following:

- Regularly wash our hands with soap for at least 20 seconds
- Wear a double-layered cloth mask at all times, except for when eating
- Practice physical distancing (at least six feet apart)
- Stay home and contact a health professional if you experience any of the symptoms commonly associated with COVID-19
- Notify SMU by completing a CCC form if you test positive for COVID-19
- When available, get the COVID-19 vaccine
- If you haven't already done so, schedule a time to get your flu shot at the Dr. Bob Smith Health Center, especially if you live on campus

Last semester, we proved to SMU, Dallas, and other universities across the nation that we are Mustang Strong. Together, we can do it again!

Mask Up, Pony Up, and Stay Mustang Strong!

Molly Patrick
Student Body President

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Vice President for Student Affairs



