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Subject: Chicago State University Plans for Reopening

Dear Chicago State University Faculty and Staff,

Thank you for all you have done to complete the spring 2020 semester and support our students during an unprecedented global pandemic. As you know, Illinois Governor JB Pritzker put in place a plan for reopening our state. The plan, [Restore Illinois](#), outlined five phases. The state moved into phase three of Restore Illinois today. In accordance with phase three, with some restrictions, offices can reopen to the public. Therefore, I would like to provide an update on our immediate operations and ongoing planning efforts for the fall.

This transition is likely raising questions around when staff who are working remotely will resume working on campus and what safety measures will be in place when staff and students return.

**Most immediately, those who are working remotely should continue working from home. Please do not return to campus until your supervisor has notified you of a change.** Chicago State University will notify you when we change our guidelines on remote work.

As we have shared before, your health is our top priority. The University is working hard to finalize plans for reopening that protects you and allows us to continue providing an excellent collegiate experience for our students. These plans are being created by campus working groups who are considering current city, state and national guidelines together with health and safety information. Our plans will also incorporate additional guidance from the State of Illinois specific to higher education, which is expected soon. **We will release our plans for our academic experience for the fall in June, recognizing that we must remain flexible as circumstances change.**

We have accomplished much this spring, even as our circumstances have changed quickly. Please continue to stay safe and I look forward to all we will do next in partnership. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,



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President