




# PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

A Member of the Texas A&M University System

## MEMORANDUM

To: PVAMU Campus Community

From: Ruth J. Simmons, President 

Date: May 1, 2020

Re: Fall Semester Update

Yesterday, we received guidance from The Texas A&M University System that we will be resuming in-person instruction for the fall 2020 semester. While I am excited about seeing our campus return to the lively and active campus that defines life on “The Hill,” the safety and wellbeing of our students, faculty and staff remain the most important factors as we plan for this reopening.

Given the continuing uncertainty surrounding COVID-19 and its transmission, our plan to reopen will rely heavily on the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidance to limit the spread of the virus. We will take measures to maintain social distancing, encourage proper hygiene, and implement more frequent disinfecting procedures in our classrooms, housing, dining halls, work and gathering spaces. Our COVID-19 Task Force, led by Provost James Palmer and Vice President for Student Affairs Tim Sams, will work closely with the University Health Center and other medical authorities to determine the best ways to utilize testing, contact tracing and other protocols meant to minimize exposure.

A few weeks ago, we announced our decision to conduct all of our summer courses online. We will use this time prudently to prepare for our fall reopening. As we finalize details, we will issue additional campus communications.

Please continue to visit our [COVID-19 Updates](#) webpage for information about our university’s response to the novel coronavirus.