

Office of the Chancellor

June 21, 2021

Dear FSU Faculty and Staff,

I am pleased to announce that Fayetteville State University intends to return to pre-pandemic modes of course delivery, residential living, and overall operations for the 2021-22 academic year. Thus, effective Tuesday, July 6, 2021, FSU will resume its normal onsite operations and all non-faculty employees will return to work on campus. All university offices are expected to be physically staffed and providing on-campus services 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday, or during otherwise officially approved business hours. Having employees return to their regular onsite offices and work schedules on July 6 will allow the University to begin to prepare for a successful and exciting 2021-2022 academic year. Faculty are expected to return to work on campus on August 16, 2021.

As a result of Governor Cooper's Executive Order 215, previous state mandates pertaining to face coverings, occupancy limits, mass gathering restrictions, and social distancing will no longer apply to FSU's activities or facilities with the exception of FSU's child care facility, Student Health Services and the Cumberland County High Schools located on campus. Face coverings continue to be recommended for employees who have not been vaccinated, as well as for anyone who is concerned about health risks and prefers to continue wearing a face covering. Upon request, the University will provide face coverings and sanitizers to employees.

The University will continue to follow the guidance of the CDC, the NC Department of Health and Human Services, Executive Orders from the Governor, and guidance from the UNC System Office to ensure appropriate safety measures, if needed, are in place.

The CDC and the NC Department of Health and Human Services recommend the COVID-19 vaccine for individuals ages 12 and older. If you have not been vaccinated, I strongly encourage you to speak with your healthcare provider regarding the benefits of vaccination. Vaccines are currently available at FSU on Thursdays from 1-7 p.m. (Moderna and Johnson & Johnson). For more information about vaccines and locations administering the vaccine, please visit https://myspot.nc.gov/.

Individuals who have an ADA defined disability and wish to request a reasonable accommodation may contact Kay Faircloth in Human Resources at 910-672-2461 or jfaircl6@uncfsu.edu for information.

I look forward to seeing you on campus beginning July 6 as we prepare for normal fall operations for our new and returning students. Thank you for your continued efforts throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

Sincerely,

Darrell T. Allison, J.D.

Chancellor