March 19, 2021 – Campuswide email

Dear Students, Faculty, and Staff,

Thanks to everyone who participated in our Zoom forums this week. While I still can’t wait for us to hold our meetings in-person, these virtual gatherings have provided an important way for us to stay connected during the pandemic, talking together about the ongoing work of the College.

Because you’ve already heard from me quite a bit this week, I’ll keep this message brief and focus on new vaccine information and provide a few reminders.

Two positive announcements on vaccines came out yesterday that you should be aware of.

First, Gov. Andy Beshear said that all Kentuckians 16 and older will be eligible for a vaccine starting Monday, April 12, just three weeks from now. Second, the University of Kentucky announced it is now accepting registrations for those 16 and older no matter what phase people fall into (click HERE to register). Getting more members of our campus community vaccinated, including students, will greatly improve our health and safety.

And two reminders about key – and exciting – announcements this week:

• We are planning for a return to full in-person learning and living for the 2021 fall semester (more information available HERE).
• In-person Commencement exercises have been scheduled for the Classes of 2021 and 2020 on the consecutive weekends of May 21-22 and May 29-30 (more information available HERE).

Dina and I hope to see more of you on campus now that warmer temperatures seem here to stay. This will gives us an opportunity to extend personally our gratitude for everyone’s hard work to get through these challenging times, especially now that hope for better days is appearing more clearly on the horizon.

Sincerely,

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