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Greetings,

It is hard to believe that we have been away from campus for a month. Our move to online instruction has been difficult on everyone, but I applaud the great work and effort that has been expended to make it happen. I am especially proud of the generosity and compassion that has been displayed by members of the campus. We have had a number of food distributions from the ASUMH Food Pantry and have participated in the Mountain Home Cares Meal Distributions that have occurred on campus the past two weeks. Over 800 meals have been provided to area citizens and nearly 100 Food Pantry distributions to students have occurred. Additionally, most of our personal protective equipment from the technical center and allied health programs has been donated to Baxter Regional Medical Center for use by the health care workers. Aaron Fouraker at the technical center has also been instrumental in the development of a 3-D printing project to produce face shields for area health care workers.

I am very proud of everyone involved in all of these efforts to assist both our students and the people of the region. I am especially proud of the work our faculty and students have done to transition to online instruction. We are now nearing the end of the semester and will continue with online instruction through the finals in early May. We hope to get those students who need laboratory or clinical experiences completed in early May if possible. Your instructors will contact you about those activities once the public health officials signal we can restart gatherings.

Please remember that registration is underway for both summer terms as well as fall. Completing your educational goals and developing skills that will enhance your employment opportunities will be even more critical as the job market evolves following this crisis. I urge all students to make contact with their adviser or our student services staff and make your registration plans for the coming semesters.

Again, thank you all for your patience and perseverance through these difficult times.

Thanks,

Robin Myers

Chancellor