

**From:** Chancellor Victor Boschini  
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**To:** TCU Parents & Families  
**Subject:** TCU's Fall 2020 Semester



Dear Horned Frog Families,

As our semester comes to a close, I wanted to take an opportunity to offer my deepest gratitude to you, on behalf of myself and Texas Christian University. As families, you have felt every impact of COVID-19 on your student, and your loved ones. We take comfort that many students are home, safe and studying. But quite frankly, we miss our Horned Frogs; they are the source of our inspiration and the heartbeat of our vibrant campus community.

This global pandemic has caused significant disruption to all of our lives, and temporarily required us to change some of the ways we interact. Regardless, our connected culture sustains us and I have been overwhelmed by the outpouring of support we have received as a campus community.

***Most importantly, I want you to know that we intend to safely return to campus for the fall 2020 semester, with a planned start date of August 24, 2020.***

We are planners at TCU, and we know you are also trying to plan responsibly for your family and for your future. The health and safety of our students, faculty and staff is our responsibility and our highest priority. As an institution of higher learning, we must also preserve our academic environment, the intellectual advancement of our students, and safely provide all that the TCU experience promises.

We will continue online through the summer, with improvements to our instructional process. In addition, I would like to share with you highlights of our fall plans to ensure a safe return to campus.

First of all, we will abide by government and public health guidance; our responsibility to the TCU community is foundational.

Second, I have appointed the **Chancellor's Fall 2020 Campus Readiness Task Force**. This leadership group is organizing and directing the formal processes being developed across key

campus areas, including academic affairs, student affairs, campus life, campus operations, health and safety, workplace, athletics and finance. This group will focus on a safe return to residential life and on-campus instruction. Based on the guidance of this team and public health authorities, we will phase faculty and staff back onto campus over the summer.

Our rigorous academic planning is being led by Provost Teresa Abi-Nader Dahlberg. She and her team of Deans, the faculty senate executive committee, and key faculty from every college and school have developed the **TCU Connected Campus** plan, which strengthens our ability to deliver academic continuity during times of disruption.

The amazing faculty and staff at TCU have successfully guided the University through many challenges during our 147-year history. Thank you for having confidence in us and in TCU. There is not a moment of the day when we aren't completely focused on the success of our Horned Frogs.

Finally, I wanted to share this beautiful living postcard of our campus. We are right here and ready for your return to campus.



Wishing you good health and well-being,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "V. Boschini, Jr.", with a long, sweeping underline.

Victor J. Boschini, Jr.  
Chancellor

