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Subject: Thank You

Dear Faculty,

We made it through the spring semester! Your commitment to our students and willingness to adapt to the changing environment has allowed the college to stay true to its mission – providing quality education that is responsive to the needs of the communities we serve.

At fall convocation, I shared with you the joy I felt for my son Jaleel and his new bride Christiana. They were feeling the anticipation of embarking on something new and exciting, just as we were at the college. We, along with our students faced the new academic year with optimism. Not knowing the challenges to come we eagerly embraced our charge to be and give our best. Personally I anticipated a year of growth. Exactly one month later, my husband Anthony passed away – and this academic year is commencing in the midst of a global crisis.

While I don't feel that same joy I had when we started the academic year, I feel great pride. We met and exceeded many of our goals. We celebrated victories and witnessed our students soar. We've overcome obstacles and supported our students, and one another, through this incredible challenge.

As we head into a remote summer session, it is uncertain what the fall semester will look like for our institution. But if we respond with the same commitment to quality education, I know we will succeed.

Thank you again for your hard work and contributions. I hope that each of you find joy in the revelation that your work is not in vain. Take time this summer to appreciate the little things that mean so very much. Make your time away a restorative adventure and get some rest when you can. You make us all so "Pioneer Proud." See ya soon!

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