April 29, 2020

Dear NSCS Students, Faculty, and Staff,

Over the past six weeks, we have been faced with a number of challenges to successfully transition all face-to-face courses to remote delivery. I have been pleased with how all faculty, students, and staff have navigated these difficult circumstances as we are now just a week away from completing the Spring semester. As we reach this significant milestone, I believe it is warranted that we begin planning aggressively for what the State College experience will look like for everyone during the next academic year.

Chadron, Peru and Wayne State Colleges are looking forward to welcoming students back to campus in person for the Fall 2020 semester, and planning is currently underway.

Last Friday, Governor Pete Ricketts took an encouraging first step toward easing certain restrictions in Nebraska’s Directed Health Measures; however, forms of social distancing and other preventative measures are likely to be necessary for the foreseeable future. Each College is working to ensure that all aspects of campus life can continue while maintaining social distancing, including face to face instruction, labs, co-curricular, and extra-curricular activities.

The Nebraska State Colleges will continue to work with state and local officials to limit the spread of coronavirus and develop safety measures. Your College will continue to communicate with you as more details become available. We hope this message will give you some certainty as you look forward to returning to campus in the fall.

Working together with a unity of purpose, each of you has demonstrated the strength and resilience of the Nebraska State Colleges in the face of these unprecedented circumstances. Whatever challenges may arise in the future, if we continue to come together as a College community, we will not only persevere but will come out the other side — collectively stronger as Nebraskans.

Sincerely,

Paul Turman
Chancellor