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Good afternoon, Colleagues.

Thank you for the warm welcome you have extended to me over the past two weeks. Though many of our connections have been through computer screens, I am enjoying getting to know you and our campus.

Since my arrival, I have been working to get up to speed on all the preparations that have been completed to date for our return to fall operations and finalizing our plans in consultation with public health guidance. I appreciate all the work that each of you has done and continues to do to support our University.

“The New Norm: Your Health. Our Community,”

In all of our preparations, our primary focus is the health of campus. Next week, we will launch “The New Norm: Your Health, Our Community,” an educational campaign about new safety and community standards to protect Niner Nation. You will see information on the University’s social media channels, in signage throughout campus, and on ninernationcares.uncc.edu and other digital platforms.

The foundation of this campaign is the **6 W’s — Wear, Wash, Wait, Watch, Wipe and Wave** — simple steps that will promote a healthy environment for us all.

We are asking all students, faculty and staff to take the Niner Pledge, a commitment to abide by the 6 W’s to protect ourselves, each other and Niner Nation. Below is a sneak preview of the video that will premiere on Monday on our social media channels.



I hope you will join me in pledging your support of this effort. A successful fall semester depends on all of us.



A tremendous amount of work has been done to welcome our students back, and there is still much left to do. But I am quickly learning that Niners know how to roll up their sleeves and get the job done. I am proud to be working alongside you.

Sincerely,

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