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Dear Students.

We are excited to welcome you to campus for what is set to be our best semester ever at Grace Christian University! Staff and faculty have been working diligently in preparation for your arrival. We reflect on the ways COVID 19 changed how we served our students, staff and faculty in the past few semesters and continually review the state of our nation and it's response to the coronavirus outbreak continuing to persist across the world.

We seek to adhere to guidelines given to us by our state health department. As we continue to put our students, staff and faculty's health first, we also believe that God goes before us and knows what is around the corner even when we do not know. We are monitoring the new coronavirus DELTA variant information daily but at this time have not been given any instructions specifically regarding coronavirus safety for this fall term.

We know this is an ever-changing situation, but as of now we are planning for student services in the following ways:

- Self Monitoring: if you have flu like symptoms, keep isolated to reduce spread
- Vaccines: not mandated but highly recommended
- Masks: not mandated but encouraged if a student feels more comfortable with one on
- **Social Distancing:** six feet distancing will not be mandated. If crowds make you uneasy, you are free to keep a safe and comfortable distance
- Classrooms/Library: learning together in classrooms, in community
- Chapel: full capacity
- **Dining:** self service with full seating capacity. Hand sanitizer will continue to be easily accessible
- Temperature Checks: no daily checks unless a student asks for one
- Access to COVID 19 testing: there are many local options available
- Quarantine Procedure: the campus will follow safety procedures, if the need arises, in order to maintain the safety of our campus body

We look forward to serving you in great ways this year. We will continue to monitor the state of our nation's response to the coronavirus DELTA variant. If recommendations from the CDC change how we can provide services, we will communicate those changes with you immediately.

Have a great finish to the summer,

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