Happy new year and snowy day,

It's with a heavy heart that I share the sad news of the loss of two talented and beloved faculty members. Patti

- We live in stressful times. Please encourage your students to seek any help they may need through <u>SU's</u> <u>Counseling Center</u> which offers 24/7 telehealth support through <u>timelycare</u>. Employee support is available through the USM's Employee Assistance Program <u>ComPsych</u>. If you haven't already done so, consider setting-up an account to learn about services available. When you register, our Organization Web ID is *USMEAP*.
- Please review Winter Term COVID-19 info <u>here</u>.
- For the first few months of 2022, we plan to limit access to several campus buildings (by Gull Card only). This will allow us to limit traffic in University buildings to those who are cleared to be on campus. Contingencies for access during any public events will be planned.
- Salisbury University's \_\_\_\_\_ from those previously set forth by the University Health Team. Campus Health will continue to provide return dates to students and employees in quarantine or isolation.
- Mask-wearing remains a critical part of our COVID-mitigation infrastructure. This means that everyone should wear a mask around others (KN95 preferred) and that eating is limited to designated sites (e.g., private offices, dining hall, café, etc.)
- All faculty and staff regardless of vaccination or booster status are required to get an on their first day back to campus. Schedule test at: <u>https://sutesting.timetap.com</u>. Test times
  - have been expanded this week due to the snow today.
- Beginning in January, Those who have not received their COVID-19 boosters within 90 days of their initial Johnson & Johnson vaccination, or within eight months of their second Pfizer or Moderna vaccination will be required to test twice weekly at SU to maintain campus access. Employees who have not received boosters within the timeframes listed above should get their boosters as soon as possible. Once an employee has received a booster shot, regardless of the timeframe, they will no longer need to test. Information on boosters is available <u>here</u>.

One take-home test kit is available for pickup for each member of the campus community in the Great Hall, Holloway Hall, Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. (note change of location from GSU) during winter session. Tests also are available from the local health departments at this <u>link</u>. We expect free take-home tests to also be available throughout the spring semester.

- Please continue monitoring your SU email account and the <u>SU COVID-19 webpage</u> for the most up-to-date information regarding campus operations. Stay Informed updates are issued on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4:30 p.m. as necessary.
- The Office of Graduate Studies & Research offers \_\_\_\_\_\_ Applications are due on 2/11/22. Spread the word!
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are due on 1/30/22. The SoTL

Faculty Learning Community (FLC) supports the SoTL Fellowship in order to help SU learn more about best practices in evidence-based techniques, innovations, and processes to continuously improve our students' outcomes. All SU Faculty, Staff, and Graduate Students are encouraged to apply. Visit the <u>SoTL Fellowship</u> website section for more details and the application submission form.

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I am very hopeful that things return to more normal operations over the spring semester and continue to be very appreciative of your perseverance and commitment to our students and the University's mission.

As always, we'll get there together, Karen

Fall 2022	Identify workgroups for Middle States re-accreditation self-study
S23 thru AY23-24	Work on Middle States self-study
Summer '23	Anticipated launch of Workday for Financials and HR
July 2023	Begin review of planning for new Student Information System (currently Gullnet)
Fall 24	New General Education Curriculum begins
AY24-25	SU Centennial Celebrations begin
AY24-25	2020-2025 Strategic Plan ends
AY24-25	Middle States reaccreditation (site visit likely in the spring semester)

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