

Good morning Colleagues,

I trust that your break was refreshing and that you are ready for a rewarding, healthy, and successful remainder of the Spring 2021 semester.

I would like to personally thank you again for all your efforts throughout the 2020-2021 academic year to help keep our College safe; you have been conscientious and diligent when on campus which is how ACM was able to stay open – with limited positive COVID-19 cases that were efficiently managed by our COVID-19 Command Team.

As you may recall, the College's Board of Trustees granted me emergency authority last spring to implement new policies and practices to ensure the safety of our faculty, staff, and students as well as the continuity of operations. On March 16, 2020, a Temporary Telework Policy was implemented with a revised Temporary Telework Policy approved on September 21, 2020. Due to the decreased positivity rates in our region, the opportunity for employees to be fully vaccinated, and the importance of returning the ACM culture through a more structured work environment on campus, the Temporary Telework Policy will end, effective Sunday, June 6th. A revised and more limited permanent telework policy is being drafted and will be shared with the campus community with an effective date of August 2, 2021.

During the 8 weeks from June 7 through August 1, ACM will offer employees the option of a summer compressed work schedule. Melinda Duckworth will provide a follow-up message about the logistics related to the telework and compressed work week plans, eligibility, and application process.

As we continue to move forward from this pandemic and ensure exceptional service to our students and community, please remain careful and diligent. Continue current mitigation protocols to ensure a safe work and learning environment. Please do your part by following the critical prevention strategies: **Wear** your mask, **Maintain** your distance, and **Wash** your hands.

As I have shared many times, **we are all in this together**. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me, your supervisor, or your vice-president.

Warm regards,

Dr. B.