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TO: All faculty, staff and students

FROM: Garrey Carruthers, President

SUBJECT: 2014 Fall Semester

Hello to our students, faculty and staff and welcome to the 2014-2015 academic year at New Mexico State University.

I sense a lot of positive energy across our campuses, our county offices and around the state as we head into the fall academic semester. This energy is apparent through everything we do to make NMSU a caring community that transforms lives through discovery.

We should have a tremendous amount of pride in this institution. We are highly respected by other universities and the people we have at NMSU are some of the best in their fields. As a way of recognizing the wonderful work our people do for our organization, I'd like to call your attention to some of the new banners we have hanging from light poles around the Las Cruces campus. These banners feature our Regents Professors – some of our very best teachers and researchers. We want our students and everyone walking around campus to recognize what great faculty members we have here.

The excellent work being done at NMSU is also evident in the results of our most recent student satisfaction survey. Students overwhelmingly stated they were either satisfied or very satisfied with the quality of our faculty members and the quality of instruction they received during their time at the university. Again, this is a reflection of our meritorious work and truly something to be proud of.

And as a special note to our students – this is where you will discover more about yourself, who you are and what you want to do with your life. While at NMSU, I encourage you to develop both your academic and leadership skills. I recommend finding an academic field you are passionate about, an area you enjoy and one where you can focus your attention. Then, of course, I encourage you to study hard. I also urge you to participate in many of the outstanding activities that take place on campus. Life after college will come very soon. Meanwhile, this is the time of your life! Take advantage of it.

Thank you and have a great semester.

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