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NOTE: Below President Sandoval's campus message, please see a statement from the Nevada System of Higher Education.

Dear Wolf Pack Family,

I wish to share with you some thoughts and information regarding this past week, which has seen a number of Presidential Executive Actions delivered by President Donald Trump. Several of these Executive Actions potentially have far-reaching implications for higher education in our country as well as for our University.

University leadership is monitoring all of these orders closely. The situation is still fluid, and it is not quite readily apparent what the long-term implications will be.

However, I wish to make it clear to everyone on our campus – students, faculty and staff - that the University is dedicated to maintaining an environment in which the members of our campus community feel safe, supported and encouraged to actively pursue their educational and professional goals.

Connecting with the best information, resources and support is always important in times of

uncertainty. The University offers a number of opportunities to help members of our campus community.

The University has made a commitment to provide our undocumented and DACA students with a number of resources needed to successfully navigate the often-complex path in reaching graduation – academic support, educational protections and benefits, legal support, mental health support and more. Resources for undocumented and DACA students are available through our undocumented student program, [UndocuPack](#).

[University Counseling Services](#), as well as the [Downing Counseling Clinic](#) is available to help students. Faculty and staff can find assistance through the [Employee Assistance Program](#). The University's [LiveWell Program](#) is also available to help prioritize your well-being and navigate campus resources.

There are also a number of Student Life resources available, including the [Center for Student Engagement](#), [Multicultural Center](#) as well as the [Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion](#), and [First-Generation Student Center](#).

As we learn more about the status of many of the Presidential Executive Actions that have been issued this week, we will share the latest information and developments and keep you apprised as the impact of directives are made clear, and new directives are made available.

Throughout this new semester, let us all come together to ensure that all members of the Wolf Pack Family feel safe, welcomed and able to follow their educational and professional dreams.

Sincere regards,

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NSHE Stands Committed to Supporting Its Diverse Campus Communities

The following is a statement from NSHE:

The Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE) is deeply committed to fostering inclusive environments where all students, faculty, and staff feel supported and valued, regardless of their background or immigration status.

At a time when there is much uncertainty surrounding what is to come, we want to reaffirm our commitment to supporting every member of our campus communities. NSHE and its institutions are, as they always have been, fully committed to protecting student privacy in accordance with applicable laws. Safeguarding personal information is a cornerstone of our dedication to fostering trust and ensuring that all members of our community feel safe while pursuing their educational goals.

We at NSHE are actively monitoring federal policy changes and assessing their potential impact on our campuses. We are prepared to advocate for the needs of our students, faculty, and staff to ensure that no one is left behind.

We encourage anyone affected by these issues to take advantage of the [resources and support services](#) available across our institutions. These include financial aid assistance, counseling services, and student advocacy organizations. You are not alone, and NSHE is here to support you.

We are proud that NSHE institutions reflect the rich diversity of Nevada and are places where students from all walks of life can come together to learn, grow, and contribute to the future of our state. Together, we will navigate any challenges with resilience, empathy, and dedication to our core values.

