



July 30, 2020

Dear UAHT students, faculty, and staff:

It seems like a long time since we have all been together, and we are excited to get back to campus. Above all, however, is the health and safety of our community. We know that members of the public are interested in knowing how we will safely and securely return to campus this fall. COVID-19 came with a vengeance into our country, state, and community. It has created more panic, uncertainty, and fear than this campus has ever experienced. In truth, this virus will likely change us forever. Some of the changes are hard and troublesome, while some come with innovations and opportunities for new and novel ways of learning and teaching.

Fall 2020 will look differently from previous semesters at UAHT. It is going to include social distancing, barrier screens, wearing face coverings, and intensified disinfecting. But, a healthy UAHT community is a shared responsibility. How we react and the decisions and actions we take will likely rewrite the educational playbook for UAHT and could determine the sustainability and longevity of campus life.

No policy or action can eliminate all risk. All efforts and actions put forth are to make the likelihood of spread among our campus and surrounding communities minimal. We are asking and requiring some simple actions to make coming together this fall an educational success in a friendly and fostering environment.

Our approach this fall semester will take flexibility and agility. Conditions will fluctuate. Federal, state, or local regulations and requirements may cause us to alter our plans. I understand that there are going to be questions. We ask that you recognize that not all answers are easy or clear, but we will strive to make this year successful.

I am looking forward to it and hope you are also.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Laura Clark'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Laura Clark
Interim Chancellor, UAHT

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