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Dear Hornet Nation,

Welcome to the 2022-2023 academic year! There is no better place to be than the ESU campus in the fall. I am especially excited for this fall semester at Emporia State University.

In true ESU fashion, our focus is singular – STUDENTS. University leaders and I have spent a tremendous amount of time examining what today's students need for the best and brightest future, and we are committed to always evolving so we provide our students with the programs and experiences that will best serve them now and long after they have graduated from ESU.

So, dear students — I commit to you that we will always look for ways to best prepare you for your future. We want you to leave ESU as the most desirable candidate in any job field and with the most talent to launch a successful career. And, while you are here at ESU, we want you to have the best, most unforgettable experience of your life! You're part of the Hornet Nation now and forever.

Speaking of the experience of a lifetime, across campus the ESU team has been planning for an amazing year and the <u>fun has already started</u> with Welcome Week, Block Party and Monday Night Football tonight, the first play of the season is running this week and is free to students — "<u>The Underpants</u>," and many amazing Friday Nights events lined up. Stay tuned for an exciting concert announcement... September 1 is the first home Hornet Football game and an all-new game day experience. **Live at The Hive** will have live music, food trucks, tailgate games, Hornet merchandise and so much more.

To the ESU faculty and staff team — Our students are here! Thank you for the leadership, guidance, knowledge, time and care that you will give our students in and out of the classroom. This ESU team has a long and rich history of imparting life-changing, everlasting impressions and experiences that shape our students in ways that nothing else can. I appreciate the passion you have for our students and your commitment to helping them

achieve their goals for the future. So, thank you - there is no more important job than yours.

It's fall in Hornet Nation — let's have a great year!

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