

Colleagues,

I hope you have had a great start to the new 2019-20 academic year. The beginning of the new year brings with it ambitious expectations and limitless possibilities. Whether this is your first fall at Cal State San Bernardino or a familiar return, I welcome you to campus as we build upon the great legacy of this university.

In reviewing the past year, we can derive great satisfaction from many impressive accomplishments. The campus itself continued to progress, from the grand opening of the new Coyote Village and Commons to the groundbreaking for the \$90 million Santos Manuel Student Union expansion.

The Native American Enrollment & Achievement Initiative, made possible by a \$960,000 gift from the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians, sustained our commitment of increasing the college-going rates and successful degree completion of Native American students at CSUSB and throughout the state.

We also saw the successful conclusion of our first comprehensive campaign, which raised \$54 million, making it the largest single fundraising initiative in this university's history.

Add to that the outstanding pedagogy of our faculty, tying directly to remarkable outcomes in the classroom and amazing research that expanded the horizons of learning. It is gratifying to see our students continue to receive quality education and, upon graduation, take all they have gained and make a difference in their professions and their communities.

The coming year affords new opportunities to attempt, achieve and experience so much more. We can look forward to the official opening of the Center for Global Innovation, the final year of transition for the Q2S Conversion, progress on the highly anticipated SMSU expansion and a Coyote Cares Day that may well prove the biggest ever.

We are a diverse and inclusive institution of higher education, dedicated to maintaining a safe, secure and civil learning environment where all voices are welcome. It is essential we meet the challenges and opportunities of the coming year united as an engaged and caring community. I remain dedicated to maintaining open lines of communication across our campuses. We will continue group meetings involving faculty and staff, with chances to share ideas, discuss concerns and to listen.

The beginning of a new academic year is filled with potential. I look forward to realizing that potential together with all of you. Welcome to CSUSB 2019-20.

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President