

To the Cal State San Bernardino family:

As we begin 2020 and the start of a new decade, I want to wish everyone a happy New Year. I hope you enjoyed a festive holiday season and that the coming months will be filled with joy, good health and personal satisfaction.

Our university is entering an exciting time of opportunity and promise. While the calendar reflects a new starting point, the clock is ticking on our transition from the quarter to semester system. There are only three terms remaining – winter, spring and summer – before we complete the expansive Q2S effort and begin the Fall 2020 Semester on August 24th.

The massive curriculum conversion process is nearly complete, Fall 2020 schedules are being assembled, and communication materials are in place to help support the ongoing efforts. Our focus must be to ensure students understand the need to stay informed and are aware of the advising assistance and resources available to them. We also need to maintain communications university wide, addressing issues and answering questions that will help every department, division, program and location remain on track for a smooth transition.

January is also an excellent time to review the just-completed term and plan for the remainder of the academic year. All of us should take time to look at where we are, personally and professionally, and choose to make changes that will bring more satisfaction and fulfillment as well as rededicating ourselves to existing objectives and commitments.

The coming months will also provide opportunities to effect change here and across the country. I encourage everyone, especially our students, to be active in the 2020 Census, which determines representation, resources, and services including funding for scholarships and programs here at CSUSB. In addition, during this year's electoral process, remember that voting is your right, your voice, and your chance to make a difference. Together, we can impact countless lives and ensure this nation remains a functional, representative democracy.

I want to encourage everyone – students, faculty, staff and alumni, to circle Saturday, April 25, on your calendars. It is our eighth annual Coyote Cares Day, when we join together and live our commitment to volunteer service, supporting San Bernardino and the entire Inland Empire. Through this effort, we are helping improve life throughout the region and inspiring the greater community.

I look forward to an engaging year ahead and hope to see you at the upcoming New Year's Superstar Celebration on January 13 at 11:30 am in the SMSU Events Center. [Please RSVP here.](#)

Thank you all for everything you do to make Cal State San Bernardino a very special place.

Sincerely,
Tomás D. Morales
President
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