

October 9, 2023

MSU Faculty and Staff:

We hope you are enjoying this crisp fall weather, as it is one of the most beautiful seasons on our campus. The following are a few items to keep you updated.

Events/Dates of Note:

- November 2 – Homecoming Parade – 6 pm
- November 4 – Homecoming Game
- November 11 – MSU Open House for Prospective Students
- November 22-24 – Thanksgiving Break – University Closed
- November 29 – MSU Holiday Carnival
- December 6 – MSU Employee Holiday Luncheon (The Rock)
- December 9 – Fall Commencement
- December 11 – Winter Term Begins
- December 19 – University Closes at 4:30 p.m. for Winter Break

Thank You's:

- To the Craft Academy staff for a great weekend of student and academy alumni events (and for the festive pumpkins on campus).
- To the MSU Band and staff for their time and talent this weekend playing (while on Fall Break).

Academic Affairs Leadership Searches:

The following is a quick update on a few of the searches this year in Academic Affairs. As you can see, there are a few more than normal. Some of these were planned, and some of them are very recent retirement announcements.

- Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education and Student Success – This search has been advertised and a national search is moving forward over the next few months.
- Caudill College Dean – This search has been advertised and a national search is moving forward over the next few months.
- Assistant Vice President for Regional Education and Outreach – Dr. Dan Connell has recently expressed his interest in retiring after a long service to MSU. A national search is starting and will be searched as an Executive Director of Adult and Regional Education. The duties will still encompass providing leadership for the many grant and regional programs that Dr. Connell has led.
- Dean of the Library – Dr. David Gregory has very recently expressed his interest in retiring soon. Thus, we are in the process of starting a national search for a replacement.
- Chair of Engineering Sciences – This national search comes from the merger of two academic departments effective July 1, 2024, and due to Dr. Eric Jerde's planned retirement at that time. This search will run during the fall and early spring as well.

Employee Compensation Raises:

Over the next few weeks, we are planning to implement employee raises, as well as cover the expanded cost of employee health care for 2024. Please refer to the power point that can be found in your mymoreheadstate portal for more detailed information.

Calendars for Advanced Planning:

Winter Term 2023

<https://www.moreheadstate.edu/files/files/academics/registrar/winter-2023-academic-calendar.pdf>

Spring Semester 2024

<https://www.moreheadstate.edu/files/files/academics/registrar/spring-2024-academic-calendar.pdf>

Homecoming Week 2023:

We hope you can join us for several events during Homecoming Week October 30 – November 4. A full Homecoming Event Calendar can be found at:

<https://alumni.moreheadstate.edu/s/1869/23/interior.aspx?sid=1869&gid=2&pgid=1137>

Reminder:

Please check-in on our students to see if they need any assistance with academic advising, tutoring, mentoring, career decisions, resume writing, internships, etc. -- or any other type of support.

Thanks to everyone!

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President