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To: The John Jay College Community Re: Planning Process for Fall 2021

As we continue to respond to the ever-changing developments of a global pandemic, we have to vigilantly safeguard our health and the health of those around us, while also preparing for the future of our community.

With this in mind, I have asked Provost Yi Li and Interim Vice President and Chief Operating Officer Mark Flower to reconvene our Campus Planning Committee, which will include representatives from our faculty, staff, and students. This important group will work together to map out an operational plan for the Fall 2021 Semester that's consistent with our guidance from CUNY, along with both state and local health official recommendations.

The Campus Planning Committee will review our current plans, while also making any necessary adjustments. New plans will be created by the Committee based on various scenarios that could arise depending on the vaccination program's progress along with the impact of any viral mutations. I'd like to thank the Committee in advance for tackling this challenging yet crucial work, as they account for many uncertain variables. If anyone has specific questions regarding the plan, please feel free to reach out to Provost Li (<u>vili@jjay.cuny.edu</u>), Interim Vice President Flower (<u>mflower@jjay.cuny.edu</u>), or any of the Committee members listed below.

Like many of you, I long for the day when I can walk through the halls of John Jay, chat with our talented students, meet with our renowned faculty members, and work side-by-side with our dedicated staff, but the health of our community is paramount. In the future, we'll get to that moment on campus together, and with the help of the Campus Planning Committee we'll get there safely.

Thank you for your continued hard work and patience. Please join me at our virtual <u>Town Hall</u> today at 1:40 p.m. where we look forward to sharing the College's latest news, projects, and programs, and answer any questions or concerns from the community.

Sincerely,

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