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Re: Update on Serious Matter

To the John Jay College Community:

I am writing to update you on the serious matter of alleged misconduct by certain John Jay College professors. While the ongoing investigation must remain confidential, I want to ensure you have timely and accurate information about this process.

First, let me restate that I am committed to the safety of every member of the John Jay community, and am doing everything I can to ensure that the college lives up to its mission of justice.

Since arriving at John Jay, I have worked to strengthen and expand the channels and resources to address any complaints fairly and thoroughly, while respecting the rights and privacy of all involved. I encourage you to access these resources here. Confidential counseling and support services are available here or by emailing Jessica Greenfield, our Gender-based Violence Prevention and Response Advocate, at jgreenfield@jjay.cuny.edu. John Jay employees can access related information here.

Second, as I shared with you previously, when we received allegations of misconduct, we launched an investigation and hired an outside investigator to assist us. You should also know that we notified law enforcement as appropriate and have operated with their guidance since that time.

Finally, I recognize that this is a challenging way for you to begin the new school year. While the details of this investigation must remain confidential to ensure the safety and fair treatment of everyone involved, I want to assure you again that your safety is my priority, and I want to hear your concerns and questions. I will be speaking with student leaders this afternoon, and we also have a regularly scheduled Town Hall meeting for our entire community on Monday, October 1, at 4:00 p.m. I look forward to seeing you there.

By coming together in this difficult time, we can continue to foster a safe, inclusive, and respectful environment that strengthens our community.

Thank you,

Karol V. Mason President

