Good morning, Lobos –

We’re 39 days away from the start of the Fall 2021 semester, and for the first time since March 2020, we’ll be back to full operations, which means we’ll be conducting classes in person with options for hybrid and online learning as well and returning to the kinds of group activities that are a vital part of a vibrant campus experience.

After more than a year away from each other, I can’t wait to see all of you again—but making sure we can all safely be on campus, in person, will require continued commitment, diligence, and no small amount of selflessness from every one of us in the Lobo community. At UNM, we often say that each of us defines all of us; in this case, each of us also protects all of us. Getting vaccinated is the best thing you can do to ensure our campus and our community remain safe and remain open—and that we can all have an incredible Fall 2021 semester.

If you’re not yet vaccinated, there’s no better time than now to do so. It’s quick, it’s safe, it’s free, and it’s easy to do—so [make your appointment at a vaccination site near you](https://www.unm.edu/vaccines). Even better, starting today, we’re making it more worth your time and effort by [providing some great incentives for students, faculty, and staff](https://www.unm.edu/vaccines) to get our main and branch campuses on the road to 100% vaccinated.

- **For students registered for Fall 2021**: upload proof of your COVID-19 vaccination—whether you get your shot now, or received it months ago—and we’ll transfer $100 onto your bursar’s account. It’s that easy.

- **For Main and Branch campus employees**: upload proof of your COVID-19 vaccination, and you’ll be automatically entered into a drawing for one of fifty $1,000 prizes.

If you have previously reported your status as vaccinated, but haven’t yet uploaded the appropriate documentation, you’ll need to [log in and upload the materials](https://www.unm.edu/vaccines).

Don’t have your documentation on hand? The State of New Mexico has you covered; [log in to Vaxview NM to easily access your records](https://www.unm.edu/vaccines). For more information on our incentive programs, please [click here](https://www.unm.edu/vaccines).

If health reasons preclude you from getting vaccinated, please continue to wear a mask. And if you are vaccinated, but want to continue wearing a mask, we
encourage you to do so. We want all Lobos feeling as safe and supported as we possibly can. The continued health and safety of our community is paramount-and depends on all of us to do our part.

Let's make the Fall 2021 semester one to celebrate.

Get vaccinated.

Regards,

Garnett S. Stokes
President