Good afternoon students!

The start of the fall semester is quickly approaching. Please read updates below.

**Campus is Open**
Campus opened today to provide limited face to face service during core hours of 9-3. If you visit campus, you will notice some new safety measures including face covering requirement, plexi-glass protection shields, social distancing markers, arrows to direct traffic flow, posted office capacity, and hand sanitizing stations around campus. Offices will be operating with reduced staff in order to ensure social distancing and minimize contact. Students are strongly encouraged to continue to conduct business by phone, email and Zoom when possible and should schedule an appointment before coming to campus when an in-person meeting is necessary. Do avoid congregating, many offices will not be able to see students on a drop-in basis. Staff are available by phone, email and Zoom outside of the core hours as well. See the departments website for more specific information.

**Fall Semester Schedule**
Classes begin on Monday, August 24th (in two weeks!). Many classes will be offered completely online. Some classes will have an on-campus component including those that support the essential workforce and those that are “hard to convert” such as labs and activity classes. We are working quickly to get the changes updated in MyFRC. Check out the schedule in the red bar on the frc.edu home page for the most up to date information.

**COVID Testing**
FRC is taking several measures to provide a safe learning environment for students and protect the campus and community. In collaboration with Plumas District Hospital, FRC is providing initial COVID testing for students enrolled in classes with an on-campus component (as listed above). Testing will take place in the Allied Health Parking Lot which is the first building on the right as you enter campus. Students who are enrolled entirely online do not need to schedule a test. Students who live in FRC Student Housing have already been scheduled based on their assigned move-in day. Please do not schedule another time.
Students need to sign up by 5:00 Tuesday, August 11th and will need to contact cmccarthy@frc.edu after that.

See this [document](#) for more information about COVID testing, screening and expectations for students returning to campus. Forms are also available under the library image on the frc.edu home page.

**Books!**
Need help getting textbooks? We are now accepting [Book Voucher/Book Loan Applications](#)! Be sure to visit the [Bookstore website](#) to view the fall booklist and schedule an appointment.

**FRC Email, Canvas, Network Account**
Make sure you have requested your [Network Account](#) in order to access CANVAS for your classes. Instructors are already reaching out to you.
Financial Aid Update
Notifications have been sent to all students who have completed the 20/21 FAFSA by August 3. Applications received as of August 10 will be brought into our system this week. Please continue to monitor your MyFRC to check the status of your financial aid file for any outstanding requirements.

Eligibility for the FRC Promise Scholarship will be determined after the end of add/drop (September 8). The first round of financial aid refund checks (first half of Pell Grant, SEOG Grant, Loans for returning borrowers) for fall 2020 will be mailed on Thursday, August 27. Students must have a completed file (all outstanding requirements satisfied), be making Satisfactory Academic Progress, and be enrolled by August 14 in order to be included in the first disbursement of aid. First-time borrowers of student loans will have their loans disbursed after the mandatory 30-day delay (October 1). Financial aid is disbursed weekly throughout the semester.

As a reminder, the FRC website is a great place to check for updates! You can also utilize our Live Chat from the home page to ask a quick question.

To help ensure a safe learning environment and maintain the health and safety of our campus and community, FRC requires face coverings on campus when inside buildings and when 6 ft. of distance cannot be maintained outside. We are counting on all of you to do your part to keep the COVID positives down and in turn, will help keep the campus and businesses in the community open.

Enjoy your last two weeks of summer!