

May 3, 2019

Good Afternoon,

Here's a brief update on a number of items.

Enrollment. May 1 was the national date for submitting deposits for the upcoming fall semester. We will likely have an accurate number sometime late next week as we await the final submissions this week. Student Affairs has reported that the number of students signed up for Preview FSU is running ahead of last year at this time; we have 449 students signed up compared with 378 this time last year. The deans are working with department chairs to contact current students who have not registered yet for fall semester. If there are students who need to talk with Financial Aid or others about returning in the fall, please do so. We are there to help and answer questions.

Congressman Trone. Congressman David Trone, who represents this district (6th District in MD) is on campus today. He taught a class this morning and has toured the Undergraduate Research Symposium. Congressman Trone is a businessperson and one of the principal owners of Total Wine and More, a chain of stores in multiple states. We're glad to have him visiting. I briefed him on a number of FSU initiatives over lunch.

Ricky Arnold. We are looking forward to our alum, Ricky Arnold, visiting with us prior to graduation. Plans are for him to have a public presentation in Pealer Recital Hall at 7 p.m. the night before graduation. He will talk about his 6+ months in space last year.

Final Exams. My next email message will come during final exams. I encourage students who need any assistance prior to finals to meet with their instructors or visit the tutoring and academic support services we have at FSU.

Student Activities/Performances. As the semester winds down, we have a number of student performances and art shows still ongoing. In addition, our last theatre performance of the semester, "Fat Pig," is happening. Please check the events page on our website and come out to support our students and enjoy their accomplishments.

Thank-a-Gram. Next week is National Teacher Appreciation week. The Center for Teaching Excellence will have "Thank-a-Gram Postcard" stations on campus next week. Please take a moment to fill out a postcard and the Center will deliver it for you.

I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable weekend.

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