



Dear EWU parents and students,

Like many universities throughout our region and across our country, Eastern Washington University has been challenged by the global pandemic that continues to disrupt our daily lives. Throughout our response to the pandemic, we've placed a priority on protecting the health and safety of our students, staff, and faculty. While we're fortunate that our efforts have resulted in very few cases of COVID-19 associated with our campus, the reality is that we have experienced significant financial impacts due to the pandemic.

We want to share with you that yesterday, in accordance with our existing policies, President Cullinan notified our campus community of the possibility that EWU may experience a severe financial crisis in the near future. The significant financial stress caused by COVID-19 has caused us to take this extraordinary step in order to ensure that EWU and its students have a strong and successful future.

While this will bring changes to our campus, what will **not** change is our commitment to our students. We will continue to welcome new classes of students to our Eagle community. We will continue to provide high-quality education and meaningful extracurricular opportunities for our students.

The journey ahead for higher education institutions is unquestionably challenging. Nonetheless, Eastern Washington University will emerge from this journey as an institution that continues to provide high quality and affordable education. We will continue to effectively prepare students for the professional workforce and for success in whatever paths they choose to pursue.

We sincerely look forward to continuing that journey with you and your family this fall and beyond.

Mary Cullinan
President

Robert Sauders
Vice President for Student Affairs