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Student Services Fall Breakfast Welcome

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Good morning and thank you for inviting me to what has become a Student Affairs tradition--the division-wide Fall Welcome breakfast.

"Welcome to the Fall Semester 2014." It's off to a roaring start, thanks in large measure to your efforts. Your summer of planning paid off. Move-in, Fall Welcome, Bronco Bash and a number of other initiatives have been great successes and have gotten our students off to a positive start.

Thank you for what you do to make our students successful and to keep them physically, emotionally and spiritually healthy and engaged. Thank you, in advance, for all the work I know you will do to handle all the unforeseen events and issues that hit this campus. Some will be heartbreaking and some will make you laugh out loud. You'll manage both as the student life professionals you are.

You'll deal with students who haven't discovered how to find or keep their work/life balance. You’ll iron out roommate assignments and see that they’re fed. You’ll help them find jobs and coach them through the rough transition to independence. But you'll also have the friendship of the Bronco families and students. You'll become part of those families and they'll become part of yours. That's what we do here.

Enjoy your breakfast. Eat up. You're going to need the energy.

Thank you.