Aug. 29, 2017

The University of Houston is now sending a daily update to all faculty, staff and students with the latest information about the University and the effects of Hurricane Harvey.

**Re-Opening**

Barring any unforeseen complications, President Khator has scheduled UH to re-open Tuesday, Sept. 5.

**NOTE:** UH remains closed and only specifically authorized personnel are allowed to be on campus. No employees should attempt to return to work on campus before the Sept. 5 re-opening unless directly instructed to do so by a supervisor.

**Financial Aid & Tuition Payment**

UH is aware that many of our students and their families have been dramatically impacted by Hurricane Harvey and the subsequent flooding. If you are one of these students, the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid is designing a process allowing students the opportunity to submit a Financial Reconsideration Appeal. This appeal could lead to additional financial aid to ensure your continuation this academic term. Please watch these announcements for online access to the form.

If on the other hand, you are simply seeking additional time to pay your tuition, please email enrollmentservices@uh.edu. We will respond to your email when the university reopens and will work with you to protect your classes from being dropped. In addition, if you have not yet applied for financial aid for the fall semester, it is not too late. Simply go to www.FAFSA.ed.gov to complete the application.

**Residence Halls**

Before we can open up and allow access to Bayou Oaks, which was evacuated, it must be safe to do so. A facilities team is still responding to critical, and still unfolding, weather emergency
situations and have not yet been able to complete its initial safety inspection. This is a priority as we know Bayou Oaks residents need information, and the situation is highly impactful for them. All Bayou Oaks residents will be emailed in the next day or two with an update and better information.

**Human Resources & Payroll**

Payroll services unit was not disrupted, and all regularly scheduled payments will be made.

**Athletics**

The season-opening football game against the University of Texas at San Antonio scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 2, in San Antonio has been postponed. It may be played on Dec. 2 unless the Cougars are in the AAC Championship Game at that time, in which case the game will be canceled.

All other Athletics events for the coming week have been canceled or postponed.

**Volunteering**

We are now compiling various Volunteer Opportunities for the many individuals who have expressed a desire to help and we will be sharing those as soon as possible.

**General Questions**

If you don’t find the information you need in this update, you can send an inquiry to harvey2017@uh.edu. In addition, we are now preparing a comprehensive FAQ and will make that available shortly.