

SCS WEDNESDAY WIRE | September 1, 2021

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WELCOME...and WELCOME BACK!

As a new academic year begins and September arrives, I'm happy to see campus once again full of activity! Welcome back to everyone in SCS – and a special welcome to students beginning their learning and living experiences at CMU this fall. My thanks to all academic program coordinators whose exceptional efforts helped us get students here and through orientation (we couldn't have started this year without you!). And while we'll likely face more challenges as we work to put the pandemic behind us, the past 18 months have shown that we can tackle any obstacle when we do it together.

My thanks to all of you for your continued resilience and innovative problem-solving skills. Have a great new academic year!

CURRENT GUIDELINES REGARDING FOOD SERVICE

During September, [food and beverages](#) (other than student on-campus dining) should be consumed outdoors or in private workspaces. When food is consumed indoors, there should be ample physical distance among those sharing dining areas. Because of CMU's reinstatement of the face covering requirement, also through September, it is strongly recommended that food not be served at indoor events regardless of event size.

Food (including take-out and catered) should be individually wrapped/sealed and should not be consumed in classrooms. Alcohol is currently prohibited. SCS is working to bring kitchen refrigerators and microwaves back online. Contact [Philip Lehman](#) with questions. Guidance on food service on campus continues to evolve, so refer to the [FAQ](#) for developing details.

SCS ALUMNI VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT

A new initiative from SCS Alumni Relations connects SCS alums with volunteer opportunities across the university. If you are seeking alumni volunteers to help with a project, program or anything else, please complete the [Google form](#) to share your need(s) for volunteers.

HE WEARS MANY HATS

CSD Research Professor David Toureszky was profiled in a recent American Association for the Advancement of Science ([AAAS](#)) [member spotlight](#). David was [named a Fellow of the AAAS](#) last year.

VACCINATION REQUIREMENT REMINDER

Faculty and staff: upload confirmation of your vaccination status to the university's [COVID-19 Vaccine Database](#) no later than September 30. [Schedule an appointment](#) during CMU's [free vaccine clinics](#) coming up this Friday, September 3 and on September 10, 13, 17 and 24.

Until next week,
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REMEMBER YOUR RESOURCES

Connect with a [Dean's Advisory Committee](#) if you have questions or concerns you want to share.
Connect with a representative leader from [SCS Council](#) if you'd like to submit a topic for Council to consider.
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