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Dear Lumberjack Family:

The tragic events along the Gulf Coast have saddened the entire Lumberjack community. It has been shocking to see the widespread destruction and suffering left in Hurricane Harvey's wake, and our thoughts are with everyone feeling the impact of this disaster, especially those in our Lumberjack community whose homes, family members and loved ones are in the impacted areas.

To meet the needs of our students, faculty and staff members throughout the university are demonstrating the SFA brand "One Lumberjack at a Time" through their actions. This means meeting the needs of each Lumberjack student on a case-by-case basis, for each academic course and program area. Our students must know — through our actions, not just our words — that we care about them and that we will support their success on an individual basis. This is especially crucial during the extreme circumstances that many are confronting following the devastation of Hurricane Harvey.

We were impressed with our student groups who immediately sprang to action to offer aid and assistance to victims of this storm. I am equally proud and encouraged by the dedication our faculty and staff have shown to meeting the needs of our students. Each academic college has a contact person for questions and assistance, so that affected students can obtain answers and resolve concerns quickly. Their names and contact details, as well as other helpful information, are available at [www.sfasu.edu/harvey](http://www.sfasu.edu/harvey).

I am confident I speak for all of Stephen F. Austin State University in expressing our deepest sympathies to the families in every area affected by this storm. We all hope that, through aid from local, federal and philanthropic support, the region will recover soon from this natural disaster.

Sincerely,

Steve Bullard  
Provost/Vice President of Academic Affairs