

SUMMER UPDATES TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS CSU FORT COLLINS

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COVID UPDATES

Our students will be back in classrooms in just eight weeks! This week Provost and Executive Vice President Mary Pedersen shared with students, parents, and employees an [update about the planning for teaching and learning, student life, and health protocols](#). Nearly 88% of course sections will be conducted fully in-person.

Student life will also be boosted by more normal campus amenities, including full in-person capacity at The Rec and the return of intramural and sport clubs.

And the vaccine record submission effort for CSU students continues with **4,700** records submitted so far to CSU Health.

SUMMER ON CAMPUS

The National Hispanic Institute (NHI) Colorado Lorenzo De Zavala Youth Legislative Session at CSU has returned to campus. From June 27-July 4, 113 rising high school junior and senior students are participating in an intense, eight-day, model government session. The program gives high-achieving young students the opportunity to understand organizational culture, protocol, and procedures to become more effective community leaders, meet and collaborate with new friends, reflect on the issues of the day, and practice leadership.

Reuniting employees for Fall 2021 is the focus of a major CSU Human Resources effort to transition employees away from remote work and back into the routine of in-person operations. HR and Pandemic Preparedness Team leaders hosted a Zoom Town Hall for more than 400 supervisors on June 24. Return-to-campus resources for employees have been centralized via a [Reuniting Campus for Fall 2021 webpage](#).

CSU AROUND THE STATE

The [CSU Salazar Center for North American Conservation](#) will join CSU's Office of Engagement and Extension on July 1. Founded in 2018 with the leadership of former U.S. Secretary of Interior, U.S. Senator, and Colorado Attorney General Ken Salazar and then-CSU President and CSU System Chancellor, and current now Chancellor Tony Frank, the Center envisions a future where healthy, connected landscapes in North America support community wellness and equity through the production of clean air and water alongside economic benefits; play a critical role in responding to climate change; support a rich diversity of life; and are conserved and protected across political borders on the continent.

This week, CSU announced that [an anonymous donor has committed \\$1 million to support a new Center for Human-Carnivore Coexistence on campus](#), advancing its mission to minimize conflict between humans and carnivores – including wolves, bears, mountain lions, and other predators – integrating research, education, and outreach. A Colorado ranch owner supporting a livestock operation, the donor is committed to earning a living on the land while also preserving its wildness for future generations to experience. That commitment drove the investment in the center's efforts to develop science-based insights and real-world solutions to promote human-carnivore coexistence.

FALL AT CSU

Preparing for move-in this year involves more than just planning for students entering their first year at CSU. Because of -19 pandemic precautions, many second-year students will be joining campus in-person for the first time this fall. In a sense, we are preparing to have two "first-year-on-campus" classes. With this in mind, Ram Welcome programming will focus on both first and second-year students.

Meanwhile, COVID precautions will still be in place for residence hall Move-in the week before classes start. CSU Housing & Dining is committing to a multi-day schedule this August to help disperse traffic and maintain social distancing.