Dear Members of the LIU Community,

I am pleased to share that New York State has released guidance that allows for the reopening of higher education. We welcome this news and look forward to seeing you on campus this fall. The Fall 2020 semester will begin as scheduled on September 8 when the University will resume in person classes, with necessary contingencies and flexibility to guard your safety.

The University was successful in securing the health and safety of several hundred students living in LIU’s residence halls during the spring semester. The virus outbreak required immediate development and implementation of acceptable social distancing practices, high levels of cleaning and sanitizing, and safe food distribution. These heightened practices helped our students residing on campus stay COVID-19 free. During the last several months, Long Island University has reviewed and expanded these protocols and developed careful and additive measures to enhance the safety and wellbeing of the entire community.

Continued preventative measures will help secure the health and safety of our campus community. Therefore, all members will complete medical screening questionnaires prior to returning to campus, and the University will continue to monitor health conditions through self-check procedures.

Social distancing and enhanced sanitization efforts are an integral part of the University’s prevention procedures. Classrooms, offices, common facilities and residence halls are being cleaned and disinfected on an enhanced schedule that is monitored by cleaning logs. Residence students will receive guidance from LIU’s Executive Dean of Students regarding move-in and residence hall procedures.

We are all grateful that New York has reached a point where we can open our University. NY has successfully reduced the number of COVID-19 cases, but we must continue to be diligent to keep our community healthy and safe. It is now our responsibility to be respectful of guidelines and protocols. Please join me in a collaborative effort to respect our students and employees right to a safe and secure environment.

If you have any questions or need additional assistance, please email me at kim.cline@liu.edu. I look forward to seeing you on campus this fall.

Sincerely,

Kimberly R. Cline
President