



THE BOTTOM LINE MAY 2020

NEWS & EVENTS

Procurement shares guidelines for the acquisition of PPE and other critical supplies

Procurement is supporting critical university operations through the University Centralized Critical Supply Inventory. Learn more about the work on this initiative and guidelines for securing PPE moving forward in the [VT News article](#) and in [these FAQs](#).

Planning underway for strategies to protect public health in the fall semester

President Sands and university leaders are reviewing operational strategies to protect public health on campus as the university prepares for an expected June 8 announcement on fall semester plans. [Read the list of recommendations](#) developed by the COVID-19 Incident Management Team. Efforts are being made to re-engage the workforce over the summer and scaling to meet the needs of the emerging fall semester plan. [More info here](#).

Health assessment deadline extended for premium rewards

COVA Care and COVA HealthAware members now have until Friday May 29 to complete a health assessment and receive a premium reward effective July 1. [Get more information](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

Board of Visitors meetings

- Finance & Resource Management Committee | May 29
- Full Board Meeting | June 2 | [More](#)

RESOURCES

Webinars & Workshops

Education Advisory Board:

- Forecasting the Impact of COVID-19 | [on-demand](#) | [More](#)
- The State of Student Borrowing | [on-demand](#) | [More](#)

Chronicle of Higher Education:

- The Soft Skills Gap | [on-demand](#) | [More](#)
- Why Coronavirus Will Change Higher Ed More Than the Great Recession | [on-demand](#) | [More](#)
- Strategic Planning for an Unprecedented Fall Semester | [on-demand](#) | [More](#)

Hokie Wellness:

- Resiliency in the Workplace: Learning to Press Pause | [June 9](#) | [More](#)
- Resiliency in the Workplace: Self-Care or Treat Yo'Self? | [June 17](#), [June 25](#) | [More](#)
- Hokie How-to: Nutrition | [More](#)

Phase One Update

What's exactly in Virginia's "Phase One?" Get the latest information on plans for restoring certain activities and operations and [check out the Commonwealth guidelines](#) for different business sectors and recreational activities.

Executive Order 63: Face Covering Requirements

Read the [Governor's announcement](#); effective May 29, Virginians are required to wear face coverings in public indoor settings.

QUICK HITS

Inclusion and Diversity Committee Update

We want to pass on a special shout-out and note of appreciation to Samantha Marcum, who is stepping down as Chair of the VP for Finance Inclusion & Diversity Committee after nearly two years in the role. Under her leadership, the Committee has rolled out several initiatives and activities to promote greater employee engagement, inclusion, and diversity.

Daysha Holmes from Procurement will serve as the next Committee Chair.

"This was a great experience for me and I am proud of all the work the Committee and our employees have put into helping build a more inclusive and diverse workplace," said Marcum. "And I couldn't be more excited to have Daysha following me as Chair and seeing that work continue with the Committee and in each of our departments."

Thank you Samantha, and a warm welcome to Daysha! As always, you can reach the Committee at vpfdiversity@vt.edu with questions, thoughts, or ideas, or you can reach out to your office's Committee representative.

Employee Spotlight

Jamil Stafford,
Finance IT

[Get to know more](#) about the "guy who fixes your computer problems."

