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<u>Decisions for the Fall 2020 Semester</u>: MSU Northern has put the following measures in place so that we can continue to meet our mission and give our students a safe and excellent academic experience:

- All classrooms with computers have been upgraded with webcams and two-way sound with echo cancelling technology so classes can be delivered both face to face and synchronously.
- The faculty have gone through a week-long workshop to develop flexible delivery models.
- Face Coverings, masks, face shields, or other face coverings are to be worn on campus.
- Everyone is to maintain social distancing and wash or sanitize their hands frequently.
- Most of the students in the residence halls will be living in single rooms and visitors will not be allowed in the residence halls throughout the fall semester.
- Lounges will be closed and locked, but the main kitchen will remain available.
- Daily deep cleaning of common areas will be conducted & sanitizing stations will be available.
- The Dining Room will be open for to-go meals only; there will be no self-serve food stations.
- The SUB lower level lounge will be closed. The weight room is also closed to the public.
- The bookstore will remain open, but the number of shoppers at a time will be limited.
- Maximum occupancy signs can be found outside almost every room on campus.
- We strongly recommend students isolate for 14 days prior to coming to campus.
- Students who are ill are asked not to return to campus until they are symptom free.
- Respect each other and help keep everyone safe.

<u>Safety First Video:</u> Safety has always been our top priority at MSU Northern. This video was produced to help our students, faculty, and staff understand that when they return to campus this fall, the entire campus will be putting safety first.

<u>MSU-Northern TV Spot:</u> We are MSU Northern and we provide the essential skills needed to prepare the world's essential workers. Join us and prepare for the world at MSU Northern.

Campus Facilities Update:

- Pershing Hall Exterior Preservation Project is nearly complete.
- Hagener Science Center Lab Improvements Project has begun and will provide a state-of-the-art classroom for biology, general science and anatomy & physiology classes.
- SUB Courtyard Landscaping Project has begun and is nearly half finished, providing students with an outdoor seating and eating area.
- Campus Streets Improvements project are now bidding. Improvements will be done to 1st Avenue,
 Tiber Drive, and Cowan Drive.

MSU-Northern Stadium Complex Phase One: Nearly 85% complete with all dirt work done; concrete work nearly complete; press box and bleachers built; all utilities installed with new water service, electrical, storm drainage, etc.; scoreboard installed, landscaping begun with all irrigation in place, soil amendments and landscape grading complete, etc. Awaiting turf arrival and installation in mid-August.

<u>Volleyball Team Receives Academic Award:</u> MSU Northern Volleyball is a recipient of the 2019-20 USMC/AVCA Team Academic Award. This award honors teams who have matched their dedication to the sport of volleyball with excellence in the classroom.

New Hires: MSU Northern is pleased to announce Corey Kopp as our new Dean of Students and Lisa Moisey as our new Director of Industry Relations.