



September, 2008

Dear Faculty:

The 2008-09 academic year is upon us, and it promises to be an excellent year for Kennesaw State. Our enrollment continues to grow, and the local, national and global landscapes in which KSU operates will continue to be favorable for the university.

We have had many recent accomplishments. In 2007-08 we successfully navigated the SACS reaccreditation process. We surpassed the 20,000 mark in student enrollment. We successfully launched the university's first comprehensive capital campaign, with a goal of \$75million. We received approval for several new degree programs, including an Ed.D. in Educational Leadership and a Doctorate in Business Administration; new undergraduate degree programs in Anthropology, Geography, Information Science & Assurance, Dance, and a completely online Bachelor in Business Administration. At the masters level we added Applied Statistics and Applied Exercise & Health Science. And there's more to come.

To alleviate our growing pains two new structures open this fall, with a third close to follow - a new 913 bed residence hall, 2600 new parking spaces in the Central Parking Deck, and an addition to the Wilson Building that will house a new black box theater and several performance rooms. Additionally, construction has begun on a new 1000 seat dining hall and the long awaited Health Sciences Building.

Admittedly, we have challenges imposed by our growth, but we are in an excellent and improving situation. We have hard-working and impressive students and a strong and impressive faculty and staff. We have a strong and supportive Foundation. Our Strategic Plan is in place and our first comprehensive capital campaign is well underway. New degree programs and new buildings are on board and more are on the horizon. We are well-positioned and exceedingly capable to meet the challenges before us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daniel S. Papp". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Daniel S. Papp
President
Kennesaw State University

