

MEMORANDUM

June 2, 2011

Dear members of the university community:

The beginning of the Atlantic Hurricane Season presents us with the challenge and an opportunity to think about our disaster preparedness and get ready for hurricanes, as well as other natural and man-made disasters.

As the 2011 hurricane season gets under way, I urge the entire university community to take time now to review personal hurricane plans. Your plan should include a disaster preparedness kit as well as a communication plan so members of your family will know how to contact one another. You should be familiar with your neighborhood and know whether you live in an evacuation zone. Additional information and useful preparedness links can be found at www.fiuoem.com.

As a member of the university community you also have a responsibility to familiarize yourself with FIU's emergency communication plan and be an active participant in your own safety by staying alert to messages from university and local emergency managers.

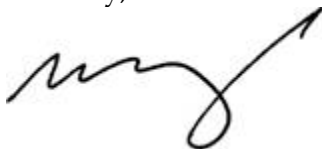
Although we are focusing on hurricanes at this time of the year, it is important for you to know that FIU plans for all types of emergencies that may affect the university community. An important part of that plan is our redundant communication systems. Depending on the situation, some or all of these communication vehicles may be activated:

- Panther Alerts (text messages)
- Informacast (phones in classrooms and outdoor speakers)
- Email messages to your FIU account
- Updates on the FIU homepage www.fiu.edu and <http://news.fiu.edu>
- Facebook, <http://www.facebook.com/floridainternational>
- Twitter, <http://twitter.com/FIUnews>
- FIU Help Line: 305-FIU-HELP (305-348-4357)
- Local media

Good planning makes for a safer season and a quicker recovery. The University has taken steps to ensure the safety of our students, faculty and staff and I urge you to take this opportunity to do the same.

Please take a moment to watch this short video about FIU's emergency communication plan.

Sincerely,



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President

