

MEMORANDUM

May 31, 2013

Dear FIU Family:

This weekend marks the beginning of the 2013 hurricane season, which is expected to be active. This is the ideal time to create or review your personal hurricane plan and become familiar with the university's emergency communication procedures, which apply to all potential hazards, not just hurricanes.

This fall we will welcome more than 500 new students to ParkView, the newest residence halls on MMC. In addition, more than 80 new faculty members will join our family. If you are new to South Florida, we urge you to educate yourself and make sure [you are ready](#).

As a member of the university community you also have a responsibility to familiarize yourself with [FIU's emergency procedures](#), including the emergency communication plan and be an active participant in your own safety by staying alert to messages from university and local officials.

In the event of an emergency, FIU will activate some or all of the following channels of communication:

- FIU 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>
- Social Media
 - Facebook, <http://www.facebook.com/floridainternational>
 - Twitter <http://twitter.com/FIUnews>
- FIU Help Line: 305-FIU-HELP (305-348-4357)
- Local media
- Radio (FM 88.1 and/or 95.3 FM)

Information about pending hurricanes or tropical storms will be sent via e-mail to your FIU account and posted on the FIU home page, www.fiu.edu and <http://news.fiu.edu>.

If you have not done so already, please take a moment now to sign up for [FIU Alerts](#), which are issued only in the event of eminent danger.

Faculty and staff should also take a moment to become familiar with your department's Continuity of Operations Plan now. As soon as possible after an emergency, you should establish contact with your colleagues and supervisor.

Being prepared and taking these simple steps will make for a safer hurricane season and a quicker recovery, should a hazardous event affect our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark B. Rosenberg', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mark B. Rosenberg
President