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Subject: Welcome Back Message from Dean of Students



**NORTHWEST FLORIDA
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from The Office of Student Affairs

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The 2016-2017 academic year has begun and I want to take a moment to welcome back returning Raiders! To new Raiders- thank you for choosing NWF State College for your academic study. We are glad you are here! This academic year is sure to be outstanding. Student Life has great events planned and our athletic teams are sure to shine. We have a few upcoming events we want to make sure you know about.

Student Government Association meets on Wednesdays at 2pm on the Niceville Campus in Student Life, building 410. For more information email sga@nwfsc.edu

On September 14 from 6:00pm-8:00pm we will be hosting College Night in the Raider Arena. This is an opportunity for you to meet with our department chairs and other colleges to ask important academic questions. We hope to see you there!

Student Life is hosting a Pizza Social at the Chautauqua Center on September 20 at 4:30pm. Stop by for some pizza and say hello!

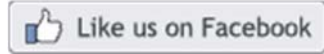
September 27 is National Voter Registration Day. NWF State College Association of Florida Colleges is partnering with the League of Women Voter's to assist students and employees with registering to vote, checking registration status, and updating addresses on-line. They will be in the Student Services Lobby on the Niceville campus (building 400), from 8:30am-3:00pm.



**Dr. Aimee Watts
Dean of Students
SSC (building 400, room
210)**

Raiders- I would like to introduce myself as your Dean of Students. I am responsible for many non-academic departments at NWF State College. This includes Admissions, Records, Recruiting, Student Life, Academic Advising, Centers, and Discipline. I am also a student advocate and plan on communicating with you regularly to bring awareness to campus happenings and information you need to know.

If you have a question or concern, please email me at wattsa@nwfsc.edu.



2016 - 2017 Student Handbook

The [2016-2017 Student Handbook](#) contains valuable information related to your rights as a student, the process for grievances and appeals, and important policies.

[View 2016 - 2017 Student Handbook](#)

IMPORTANT STUDENT NOTICE: TITLE IX

The following information is required to be sent to all students. Please read carefully.

Northwest Florida State College is dedicated to the concepts of equity and equal opportunity. It is the specific intention of the college not to discriminate on the basis of age, color, ethnicity, disability, marital status, national origin, race, pregnancy, religion, genetic information, or gender, in its employment practices or in the admission and treatment of students in its programs or activities.

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. ss1681) is an all-encompassing federal law that prohibits discrimination based on the sex of students, employees, and third parties when appropriate, of educational institutions which receive federal financial assistance. Sexual harassment of students, which includes acts of sexual violence, is a form of sex discrimination prohibited by Title IX. Northwest Florida State College complies with all aspects of this and other federal and state laws regarding non-discrimination.

Anyone with questions about compliance or a complaint regarding harassment or discrimination, including sexual harassment and sexual violence of Title IX, should contact the College's Equity Coordinator using the following contact information: Nancy Murphy, Director, Human Resources/Equity Coordinator, murphyn@nwfsc.edu or 729-5365.

Family Educational Right to Privacy Act (FERPA), The Buckley Amendment

NWFSC upholds the Federal law, The Family Educational Rights & Privacy Act (FERPA), giving students the right to inspect, review, and amend their educational records. NWFSC students will be permitted to inspect their own educational records. In addition, the college will not release or disclose information nor allow inspection of records without prior written permission from the student except under certain circumstances where, by law, prior consent is not

required. Students also have a right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education.

More Info

Campus Safety

Per Florida Statute, Section 1006.695, NWFSC must notify students of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement sexual predator and sexual offender registry website and toll-free telephone number that gives access to sexual predator and sexual offender public information.

More information on this topic can be found on our website:

<http://www.nwfsc.edu/Students/StudentAffairs/CampusSafety/crime.cfm>

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