Good morning!

Guidance on Generative Artificial Intelligence: Last week, faculty received the summer syllabus template from Dr. Megan Weaver. The "notes" document included in that email encourages faculty to include a statement that provides guidance to students about the use of generative artificial intelligence. That document also includes a link to the GenAI resources page curated and maintained by the Center for Academic Innovation.

Early last fall, I shared that the OTC Artificial Intelligence Advisory Group, led by Dr. Julie Coltharp and Eric Kyle, was working to develop overall guidance for the college community about the responsible and ethical use of AI. That work continues, but the attached document was developed to provide guidance specifically for faculty. Please review it and send any questions to the group at facdev@otc.edu. Many thanks to this group for their work in developing this guidance, and their ongoing efforts to educate the OTC community as AI continues to rapidly evolve.

High School Equivalency Graduation: Picking a favorite graduation ceremony is a little like picking a favorite child, but in this metaphor, the HSE graduation is getting a good share of my inheritance. I'm looking forward to kicking off graduation season with our high school equivalency grads tomorrow at 6 p.m. at the Gillioz. It's a great mood enhancer, so take a break from grading and join in the festivities.

Have a great week!

Tracy M. McGrady, Ed.D
Provost & Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Ozarks Technical Community College
1001 E. Chestnut Expressway
Springfield, MO 65802
417.447.8152