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Good morning!

I was out for much of last week, so I may be a little behind on all the current happenings at Ozarks Tech, but I'm thrilled to be back for one of the most fun weeks of the semester—Spirit Week! This week is about honoring those who contribute to the OTC Foundation in support of our students. I hope you caught Dr. Higdon's *Notes* yesterday, where he highlighted each day's theme. Today we're kicking things off with Sports Team Day, and I hope you're decked out in your favorite team gear to show your spirit.

This week is shaping up to be another busy one, with some special stops planned. Tomorrow afternoon, I'll be visiting with faculty and staff at the Table Rock and Richwood Valley campuses—two visits I always look forward to. Next week, I've got visits planned at the Education Centers in Waynesville and Lebanon. I hold deep respect for the impactful work happening at our campuses and centers outside of Springfield. These locations play a crucial role in Ozarks Tech's mission, acting as strong community anchors in their counties and providing a pathway to higher education for so many of our rural students. Our presence there makes education accessible and transformative for those who might otherwise not have this opportunity.

Have a spirited week!

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