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Good morning!

It's shaping up to be another busy week at Ozarks Tech! On Thursday, I'll be heading to Columbia for the annual PTK Awards Ceremony at Stephens College. This celebration of Missouri's All-State Academic Team is always such a meaningful event, and I'm continually proud of our Ozarks Tech students who are recognized there. Aside from that, here are a few other things happening around the college:

Provost Interviews

This week, we'll host our two finalists for the provost position. I encourage you to attend the open forums, both held at **3 p.m. in the Plaster Manufacturing Center and on Teams**, to hear directly from the candidates:

- **Dr. Aaron Light** – Today, April 7 (Teams Link)
- **Dr. Rachel Bates** – Thursday, April 10 (Teams Link)

Both sessions will be recorded and available for viewing on Friday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. You'll also have the opportunity to share your thoughts about each candidate through feedback forms that will be provided.

Dress for Success

Time to clean out those closets! Career Services will host the next ***Dress for Success* on April 22–23**. This event provides students with professional clothing and accessories for commencement, interviews, and other important events—all at **no cost** to them.

Donations are being accepted through **April 9.** Drop-offs can be made at the Career Services office in NKM 131. Items most needed include:

- Men's clothing
- Men's and women's suits, shoes, and belts
- Purses
- Jewelry
- Scrubs

Because Ozarks Tech has the best employees, nearly all volunteer slots are filled – but

there are still a few open, so click here to help.

Administrative Withdrawal

We had a great discussion at Academic Council last week about the administrative withdrawal process. The conversation highlighted a lot of confusion and differing interpretations—about the federal regulations behind the policy, why we have the policy in the first place, and how to apply it. The senior academic leadership will continue this discussion at Deans' Council this week, focusing on developing a plan to better educate and support faculty. I suspect this will involve a broader group moving forward, including faculty who are tasked with applying the policy, so stay tuned for more information.

Wishing you a fantastic week!

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