Dear Hampton University Students:

In my communication to you of April 21, 2020, I mentioned that the Infectious Disease and Prevention Working Group recommended that the University “have your items packed, stored and retrieved later.” Feedback from some parents and students indicated that this may not be the best option. Therefore, we have decided not to have students' belongings packed and stored. Instead, items will remain in the residence halls in their current state and be retrieved by students once the Commonwealth of Virginia's stay-at-home order is lifted and medical professionals view it as safe. We hope that this will happen sooner rather than later.

A schedule has been created to allow students to sign up for a date and two-hour period to retrieve their items. Dr. Barbara Inman, Vice President for Administrative Services, will provide the details in another communication once dates are determined.

Please be reminded that this is unchartered territory for everyone. All of the decisions made by the University are in consideration of what is in the best interest of our students, faculty and staff. We all need to work together as we try to protect each other! I pray that you and your family are doing well and staying safe.

With all good wishes,

William R. Harvey
President