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Dear Campus Community,

Yesterday's announcement regarding the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program created a great deal of uncertainty for members of the higher education community, including Texas Christian University.

TCU has a longstanding history of encouraging global awareness and cultural understanding – with programs designed to advance knowledge, broaden perspectives and make a positive and sustainable difference in the world. DACA's protection from deportation of roughly 800,000 young undocumented immigrants brought to this country as children allows them to pursue their educations and effectively contribute to our society. We recognize the value of this population in bringing the noble aspirations of our campus, and our nation, to life.

Much is yet to be learned about the full impact of this announcement, and TCU's goal, as always, is to act with the best interests of our campus community in mind. We will also continue to provide support staff and other resources to DACA students during this ambiguous time.

The onus now falls to the United States Congress and its ability to expediently develop a solution that upholds the time-tested ideals of inclusivity, opportunity, hard work and personal achievement. To that end, I encourage our community of faculty, students, staff, alumni and friends to engage in the legislative process in ways that are personally meaningful and that align with the University's mission to educate individuals to think and act as ethical leaders and responsible citizens in the global community.

In the meantime, the following resources remain available to all who need them:

- TCU International Services, which is responsible for immigration, programming and adjustment-related issues for students: [817-257-7292](tel:817-257-7292)
- Human Resources for faculty and staff: [817-257-7790](tel:817-257-7790)

Moving forward, TCU will continue to adhere to all applicable laws and university policies and guidelines, including the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, which applies to all students, regardless of immigration status.

We will continue to keep our campus community apprised of further developments as they are known.

It is during uncertain times that we need each other most – in coming days, I ask each of you to keep top-of-mind TCU's core values: academic achievement, personal freedom and integrity, the dignity of and respect for the individual, and a deep heritage of inclusiveness and service.

Sincerely,  
Victor J. Boschini, Jr.  
Chancellor