

## From the Office of the President

## January 18, 2017

Greetings NMT Students, Faculty, and Staff,

Warm welcome back to campus for another great semester. I trust that you enjoyed the holiday break and came back rejuvenated and prepared for a productive Spring 2017.

I'm pleased to give you an update on the construction of the new Chemistry Building. The project is under budget and on schedule for a March completion. We will start relocating the Chemistry Department to their new environs during Finals Week. This is a great milestone for us, since every NMT student takes classes in chemistry. By the fall 2017 semester, we will begin the renovation project at Jones Hall.

This week marks the beginning of the 2017 N.M. Legislative, which is 60 days this year. New Mexico Tech — and all higher education institutions — face budgetary challenges related to the our state economic situation. I along with my legislative team will be working diligently to address the budget shortfall and do what we can to preserve the level of funding for New Mexico Tech and our sister institutions.

As we prepare for a new semester, we will remain dedicated to providing an excellent education experience to our students, the state of New Mexico, and the rest of the world.

Best regards,

Dr. Stephen Wells President, New Mexico Tech