



August 22, 2022

Dear Members of the Campus Community,

The Financial Distress Designation assigned to Henderson State University by the Higher Learning Commission on March 14, 2022, will be removed “effective immediately,” according to a letter I received from the HLC president on Friday, August 19, 2022.

This designation was placed on the university in March following our recommendation for the Declaration of Financial Exigency on February 3, 2022. In April, the Higher Learning Commission reaffirmed the institution’s accreditation and currently is scheduled to host a Focused Visit in June 2023.

This is an important step toward our shared goal to restore fiscal integrity to Henderson State University. The past six months of intense cost containment and academic restructuring have been very difficult for every member of the campus community.

Each step forward—whether that be the positive energy generated by the Reddie Spirit at the beginning of a new academic year or the recognition by our accreditors that the hard work has produced recognizable results—moves us closer to a sustainable model for the university and a learning community that helps make college work for all students.

Thank you for your daily efforts to be good stewards of our resources, serve our students, and reimagine Henderson State’s educational mission for a new generation of Reddies.

Joining you in service,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'C. M. Ambrose'.

Chuck Ambrose