President’s Welcome

Thank you for that wonderful introduction and for the important work that you and your fellow student ambassadors are doing on behalf of NSU. We could not do this work without you.

Good morning to all and welcome to Norfolk State University – where we see the future in you. It is wonderful to have so many prospective students and parents in attendance this morning. At last count, we had more than 2,500 attendees registered to participate in today’s Open House – an impressive number that speaks to the strength of the NSU brand.

Whether it be our groundbreaking programs in Cyber Security, the Arts, Business, or Health Sciences, NSU has the 21st Century academic programs that will help launch your career in today’s competitive global workforce.

For more than 80 years, NSU has served as a pathway to prosperity and a better way of life. Our more than 34,000 alumni have gone on to distinguish themselves in a multitude of professions and have played important roles in helping to ensure that the doorway of opportunity and upward mobility remain open for future generations.

What sets NSU apart from the rest of higher education is not our state-of-the-art academic buildings – although they are very impressive. Not our expert faculty – although they are well respected. Not even our marching band – although the Spartan Legion is most definitely a remarkable sight to see.

What sets NSU apart is our strong sense of community. A community that fully embraces our students the very first time they step foot on campus and says to them that we respect you as an individual and believe in your hopes, your dreams, and your ability to succeed.

As a proud Norfolk State alum, I am deeply committed to the success of our students. As the leader of this institution my promise to you is this: at Norfolk State University, students will always be first and a quality higher education will always be accessible to those who come through our doors committed to the pursuit of higher learning and self-empowerment.

Thank you for participating in today’s Open House and for your interest in NSU. We look forward to answering your questions, showing you our facilities, and ultimately welcoming you to the Spartan Community.

BEHOLD. THE GREEN AND GOLD.