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Dear Class of 2026,

Welcome to James Madison College! These last few years have been challenging to us all as we proceed with our educational plans, but please know that the faculty and staff at JMC are here to help you as you start your college career.

I too am new at JMC. I am starting my second year as Dean—a position I interviewed for, accepted, and started without physically setting foot on the Michigan State University campus. I hope many of you had a chance to visit prior to your decision to join us, but if you didn't, I can assure you that you made a great choice! JMC's home in Case Hall is preparing for instruction, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities, and the campus is as beautiful as ever. We are vigorously preparing and excited for your arrival.

Your experience at JMC will kick off with Fall Welcome and a host of engaging activities to acquaint you with the residential college experience. Our expectation is for you to attend and participate at each event. Along with this letter, you will find the full schedule of activities we have organized, including our Welcome Reception and Student Organization Fair on Sunday, August 28. This is your first chance to engage with JMC's faculty, staff, and registered student organizations. As the semester begins, you will be assigned an upper-level JMC student as your peer mentor, but please refer to the academic advising postcard included if you need immediate assistance. The staff and faculty are always here to help you with your transition to college life and the academic expectations at Madison.

I hope you are excited about starting your studies at JMC and MSU. Please contact us with any questions or concerns you may have. I look forward to meeting you soon!

Best,



Cameron G. Thies, Dean



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