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Attachments: Fellowships at Rhodes.doc

I hope you are having a great summer. As your time permits, please take a few minutes to review the attached description of plans to develop a new fellowship program to take the place of merit aid. According to the plan, all students entering in the fall of 2008 can expect their institutional aid to include a fellowship aligned with their academic interests and personal strengths.

We are sending this document to the entire campus because we want you to be informed and have an opportunity to participate in this important initiative. It represents a new way of using financial aid to support student learning as well as goals for student access.

The ambitious timeline requires us to launch the initial stages of the project as soon as possible. Many logistical and administrative details have yet to be resolved and soon we will convene as many faculty, staff, and students as are available and interested in an exercise to map out all of the implications of fellowships. Following this exercise, we will appoint a group of faculty and staff to develop a detailed implementation plan.

These programs send a powerful message about our expectations for students, the depth of learning we aim to foster, and the kind of citizens and scholars we want to produce.

Please review the attachment and *if you're interested in joining us for one of our input gathering sessions, please contact Provost Charlotte Borst (borstc@rhodes.edu)*.