

PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

JUNE/JULY 2026

It has been an energizing summer at Millersville. More than 11,000 camp and conference participants have visited our campus during June and July, creating a welcome buzz of activity and introducing prospective Marauders and their families to our community. I am deeply grateful to the faculty, staff and students whose dedication has made these programs possible and ensured that every visitor experiences the warmth and hospitality of Millersville.



The past month has also brought important developments in Harrisburg. Governor Josh Shapiro signed Pennsylvania's 2026–27 budget into law on July 12. Although the budget did not provide an increase in funding for Pennsylvania's State System of Higher Education, we remain grateful for the additional support received in recent years. We will continue advocating for the sustained public investment necessary to keep a high-quality Millersville education accessible and affordable.

In July, the PASSHE Board of Governors also approved a [tuition increase](#) of \$172 per semester for the coming academic year. Annual in-state undergraduate tuition will be \$8,338, which is the lowest university tuition in Pennsylvania.

Even amid these fiscal challenges, there is encouraging progress. The Board unanimously approved the [PASSHE Pledge](#), a last-dollar scholarship initiative scheduled to begin in fall 2027. For eligible Pennsylvania undergraduates receiving both federal Pell Grants and PA State Grants, the program will cover any tuition that remains after other financial aid is applied. This commitment reflects the priorities of our ***Beyond Boundaries*** strategic plan and our belief that financial circumstances should not stand between talented students and a Millersville education.

The state's continued investment in the [Grow PA Scholarship Grant Program](#) offers another important pathway. This program, which is championed by Senator Scott Martin, received an increase of \$10 million to provide eligible students pursuing high-

demand careers with grants of up to \$5,000 annually in exchange for a commitment to live and work in Pennsylvania after graduation. During its first year, 175 Millersville students benefited from this support, which is an encouraging example of how higher education can expand opportunity while strengthening the Commonwealth's workforce.

As we enter August, preparations for the fall semester are well underway. In just a few weeks, our students will return, bringing renewed energy and purpose to campus. I am continually inspired by the care and dedication of our faculty and staff, and I look forward to welcoming our entire Marauder community home.

President Daniel A. Wubah

RECORD NUMBER OF MU ATHLETES EARN PSAC SCHOLAR-ATHLETE

We are so proud of our student-athletes' academic performance, as 246 of them were recognized by the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference. A special congratulations to the women's tennis team, who earned a cumulative 3.64 GPA and top honors!



SUMMER MOVES AND PROGRAM CHANGES

The fall opening of Lombardo Hall has led to relocations for some offices and programs, and the ongoing work to create academic offerings that provide students with the best outcomes continues with program changes.



FROM MU TO THE MOUNTAIN: KADEN HUNTER'S SUMMER IN SOLAR PHYSICS RESEARCH

Students like Kaden Hunter are making the most of their time away from the 'Ville this summer by engaging in incredible research opportunities across the country.



SPORTS BETTING, PROBLEM GAMBLING TACKLED AT SUMMER INSTITUTE IN JULY

Our annual Summer Institutes, which offer educators and administrators strategies to deal with timely challenges in their schools, featured a new session on sports betting and problem gambling. Several alumni returned to campus to offer their expertise.



'I ATTRIBUTE IT ALL TO MILLERSVILLE': ANDREA WHITE'S CAREER IN EDUCATION

Millersville began as a teacher's college, so it's appropriate that we recognize and honor our alumni who carry out this very important work. Andrea White '90 has spent more than three decades in the classroom teaching students to read.



MILLERSVILLE IN KENYA: WUBAH AND DELEGATION EXTEND COLLABORATION

So much was accomplished during a recent trip to Kenya! The two-week visit included presentations at an international research conference, an immersive global experience for social work students, healthcare clinics delivered by our nursing faculty and a Kenyan-born alumnus, and the signing of an important articulation agreement.

