

Dear Texas Tech community,

Our highest priority is ensuring the safety and well-being of each member of our Texas Tech University community. We strive to promote a campus environment that is supportive and respectful of the diverse individuals who proudly call our campus home.

The rise of violence and hateful rhetoric against members of the Asian American and Pacific Islander community across the country is shameful and stands in direct opposition to the values we hold dear. As a community that values inclusivity, we welcome different voices and different views, but we do not tolerate discrimination, hatred, or intimidation directed at any member of our Red Raider family. Any observed acts of this nature should be <u>immediately reported through the proper channels</u>.

At Texas Tech we are proud of our large and <u>active Asian American</u> <u>and Pacific Islander community</u>. We benefit greatly from their contributions as students, educators, scholars, and committed members of the Lubbock community.

Statements of support are not enough, and at Texas Tech we do have resources that are in place to support our diverse community. We've been working closely with our Asian American and Pacific Islander colleagues on campus to best demonstrate our support and share the following resources and events to further engage our community:

Resources:

- <u>Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Information and Resources</u>
 via the Honors College
- Chinese Faculty and Staff Association (CFSA)

 Asian Residual Residual
- Asian Pacific Islander Desi & Arab (APIDA) Heritage Month
- Student Intersectional Leadership Council
 Community Healing Space Dedicated to the APIDA
- Community (<u>TTU log-in required</u>)

 o April 7, 2021 11:45 1:15pm
 - o April 8, 2021 6:00 7:30pm
- Campus Discussions and Events:
 - Resurgence of Anti-AAPI Violence featuring Kee Kerk,
 Catherine Jai, Yuan Shu and Aliza Wong

 April 14, 6:30 PM (RSVP to events.law@ttu.edu) Call to

April 2, 12 NOON (via Zoom) "Yellow Peril" Redux: The

- Action: Supporting our APALSA and AAPI Community
 April 30, 5 PM (RSVP to <u>Yuan.Shu@ttu.edu</u>) "The Model Minority Myth and Systemic Racism against Asian Americans
- and Pacific Islanders" by Dr. Min Zhou
 May 7, 5 PM (RSVP to <u>Yuan.Shu@ttu.edu</u>) "The Stanford Project: Chinese Railroad Workers and the Transcontinental
- Railroad in North America" by Dr. Yuan Shu

 Countering racism in all its forms is an essential part of our campus

culture. We will continue to work together to improve our environment

and celebrate the benefits of our diverse campus community.

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Sincerely,

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