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From the Office of the Vice-Chancellor

Happy Easter to all Staff, Students and Parents/Sponsors.

It is my deep pleasure to address this letter to all our staff students, parents and sponsors to wish all of you a very happy Easter. And to our Muslim staff, students, parents and sponsors, a happy Eidel Fitr in advance. This is despite the economic and security challenges that face the citizens of our country at this point in time. The raising of Jesus from the dead gives us all a hope that we can rise above all the current challenging circumstances of our lives both at individual, institutional and national levels. Don't give up hope. As the bible assures us: "If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies through his spirit who dwells in you" Rom 8:11.

Veritas University Wins the 3rd Edition of African Telecommunication Union Innovation Competition

Once again Veritas has won the third edition of African Telecommunication Union Innovation Competition with a price money of \$20,000. This feat was achieved by the staff and students of our Software Engineering Department in February. Recall that last academic session, Veritas Students won the Pan African Debating Championship in Nairobi thus becoming the first Nigerian University to achieve this feat since its inception in 1981. They are now to represent Africa in the Intercontinental Debating Championship to be held later this month in New York, United states of America. These achievements testify that Veritas University products are globally competitive.

Once again, I want to thank parents and sponsors for their decision to choose Veritas University for discipline and quality education of their children. We want to reassure you that you have made the right decision. We thank you for the sacrifices you are making by investing in the education of your children. These sacrifices are seeds that are planted today that will yield abundant harvest tomorrow.

Issues for Immediate Attention

As we prepare to resume for the second part of the second semester after the celebrations we want to remind all our staff, students, parents and sponsors a few vital points to bear in mind.

1. Payment of Outstanding School Fees

We are completely aware that this is not the best of times and that many families are going through rough economic and financial patch. However, we earnestly plead with parents and sponsors of students who were given the opportunity to pay their school fees by semester and who have not yet completed their fees for the academic session to strive to this immediately on resumption. This is critical if we are going to complete the academic session as the cost of running the university has escalated beyond imagination.

2. Conditions to Write 2nd Semester Examination:

For any student to qualify to write the second semester examinations he or she must meet these critical conditions:

- (a) He or she must obtain Exam Card from the Debt Recovery Office indicating he/she has cleared his or her fees and any other outstanding charges. The distribution of Exam Cards will start on April 15th by levels as scheduled by the Debt Recovery Office.
- (b) The student must have achieved a minimum of 80% lecture attendance. For this purpose, all academic staff are kindly requested to comply strictly with the directives issued on this by the Quality Assurance Office.
- (c) The student must not have any disciplinary measure (e.g. suspension for any reason) that renders him or her ineligible to write the examinations

3. Other Issues

- (a) All staff and students are required to report back to the University not later than Sunday, April 14. Any student that returns a day later than 14th will be required to pay N10,000 per day. This must be cleared before Exam Card can be issued. Students are urged to avoid paying this fine by returning on the stipulated date.
- (b) Departments are to publish the provisional results of the first semester examination before April 12 as directed by the Senate Business Committee (SBC) pending Senate approval by end of the month. Heads of Departments are kindly requested to ensure that this is done timeously.

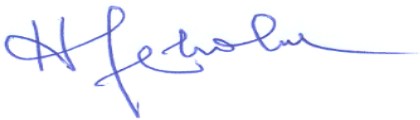
(c) Final year students are once again reminded that they must submit the bound copies of their Research Projects by May 31 if they want to graduate this academic session.

Conclusion

Once again, we want to appreciate the support of parents and sponsors for keeping us at the top and sustaining us there. We shall continue to work hard to make Veritas University the very best.

To our staff and students, we wish you happy holidays and safe return to campus.

May God bless you all.



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