In the weeks ahead, I know that we will not move forward with “business as usual.” Rather, I want you to have an opportunity to share your thoughts about the actions or changes you would like to see, or just express where you stand. Each department in SCS is already or soon will be reaching out to students, faculty, and staff to find ways to emphasize listening and exchanging ideas through events and communications. I believe that these conversations are most effective “locally,” and we will be sure to share the best ideas and practices across the school.

TODAY’S TOPICS

— Just getting started: a newly-formed SCS Back to Campus team will focus on preparing staff, faculty and students to gradually return to SCS facilities. This team, which you’ll find on the SCS Alerts page, will coordinate and communicate with their departments. If you have suggestions or questions about returning to campus, please contact your representative.
— SCS@home: in Episode 7, we touch base with a few students to talk about their summer internships
— Thanks to my friend and colleague Keith Webster, CMU’s Dean of University Libraries, who shared the anti-racist reading list and digital resources his team recommends to inform and help our community.
— I am also grateful to CMU’s Graduate Student Assembly for their leadership, and efforts to compile these resources: Anti-Racism Resource Guide

LOOKING AHEAD

— Next week, we’ll start announcing Staff Recognition Award winners. Stay tuned…
— Reminder: Ralph Guggenheim, a pioneer in computer graphics/animation and producer/director of some of CSD’s first instructional and promotional films, will facilitate The Power of Pioneers: Preserving CMU’s Computer Science Videotape Collection on Thursday, June 11 at 7 p.m. (EDT). Step into the past and experience what it was like to learn from some of the world’s greatest minds of computer science. Register: https://thepowerofpioneers.splashthat.com/

TO KNOW

— DARPA names CSD’s Justine Sherry to ISAT study group
— Perception of privacy versus utility tradeoffs in contact-tracing apps is key to widespread adoption
— Take a look at how Auton Lab data is being applied: https://covid19.autonsys.com/

As this week ends, we face many injustices and obstacles, but in SCS we will continue with our commitment to equity and equality for all. I hope that you are able to take some time this weekend to talk, share and regroup with your friends and families. Be good to each other!

Until Monday,
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