Dear Meredith Faculty and Staff,

Late Tuesday afternoon, North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper announced plans to modify the state’s stay-at-home order and begin Phase 1 of a reopening plan, effective at 5 p.m. on Friday, May 8 through May 22, 2020.

Meredith’s Incident Response team has been working on a phased reopening timeline for the College, with the ongoing health, safety and well-being of our community as our top priority.

In light of Governor Cooper’s executive order and his decision to ease restrictions across the state, we wanted to provide some details on what you can expect at Meredith from May 11 through May 22.

The following protocols, which are in keeping with CDC guidelines and NC Phase 1 orders, will be in effect at Meredith from May 11 through May 22:

- Employees already working remotely should continue to do so to the extent possible for the next 2 weeks to allow housekeeping and facilities to continue preparing the campus for a gradual re-opening. Individual departments should use this time to finalize plans for reopening office spaces with rotating schedules and social distancing protocols in place.
- Some College facilities are being readied for reopening during this timeframe on a limited basis with new access and use protocols.
- As previously announced, Summer School will remain online for all sessions.
- Residential students should continue moving out according to the times scheduled through the Residence Life office.
- The Faircloth gate will remain closed, and individuals should continue to check in at the gatehouse with Meredith or another form of ID before coming onto campus.
- Members of the Class of 2020 will be able to schedule appointments through campus events for individual, outdoor photo shoots as long as social distance is maintained between the graduate and photographer. No group shots are allowed at this time.

The College's full re-opening plan will be shared in the coming weeks. If you have specific questions about your work arrangements between today and May 22, please contact your supervisor.

Thank you for your continued cooperation as we move forward into this next phase of campus operations.

Sincerely,
President Jo Allen and the Executive Leadership Team
sent on 5/7/20 at 11:38 a.m.