MEMORANDUM

TO: Sneha Shah-Coltrane  
Director of Advanced Learning and Gifted Education, NC DPI

FROM: Bethany Meighen  
Vice President for Student Affairs

DATE: July 24, 2020

SUBJECT: Waiver to Section 700.1.1 of the UNC Policy Manual

Section 700.1.1, Policy on Minimum Eligibility Requirements for Undergraduate Admission to the University of North Carolina System, establishes the minimum academic standards that a student must satisfy in order to be considered for undergraduate admission at a University of North Carolina (UNC) System institution. This includes the requirement that first-year students submit an ACT or SAT score to be eligible for admissions consideration. Due to the impact of COVID-19 on testing availability and the likelihood of additional cancellations, the UNC Board of Governors waived the standardized test requirement for first-year students applying for admission in Spring 2021, Summer 2021, and Fall 2021.

Students have the option to submit test scores to the 16 public universities in the UNC System, but test scores will not be required for admissions decisions. Students who do not submit an ACT or SAT test score must meet the minimum weighted GPA requirement of 2.5 to be considered for undergraduate admissions.

Please share this information with appropriate personnel, and current and incoming students and families. If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Bethany Meighen, Vice President for Student Affairs, at bdmeighen@northcarolina.edu.