

Dear Student-Athletes,

These are challenging times here at LSU and across our nation and world. It is the voices of young people who are driving positive change in our communities. Here at LSU, we are seeing changes occurring before our very eyes. On this, or other issues, you have a right to join in that important social dialogue.

To be clear, LSU Athletics respects and supports the rights of all student-athletes to use your voice to express your individual views.

Just as importantly, I want all student-athletes to know that inappropriate, hateful or threatening speech will not be tolerated at LSU. As a university athletic department, and as teachers and coaches, we work to educate and guide student-athletes in how you might express your views. We have resources available to help you. Your sport administrator and sports information director are always available to help guide and assist you in communicating your views.

If, for whatever reason, you do not feel you are supported in publicly expressing your opinions please alert us. We want to know. You can notify us through any of the resources below. Information you provide will be 100% confidential.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Scott Woodward". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Scott Woodward

Athletic Director

Resources for all Student-Athletes:

- [LSU CARES: https://www.lsu.edu/saa/lsu-cares/index.php](https://www.lsu.edu/saa/lsu-cares/index.php)