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**Cc:** "Hopf, James" <HOPFJ16@ECU.EDU>, "Compher, Jeff" <COMPHERJ@ECU.EDU>

**Subject:** FYI, ECU News in operations center at Saturday's game

All,

I mentioned to Bill Koch this morning that it is probable we will have a silent protest of some kind by at least 20 Marching Pirates at Saturday's game during the national anthem. We expect the act to be respectful, but we'd like for our ECU News on call to be in the operations center Saturday at least until we are sure there are no incidents, perhaps for the whole game if needed.

That way we have someone on site who gets information quickly and gets it firsthand and can work with both police and senior leaders to assess and address media needs. We have a prepared statement from the chancellor, but it may need to be revised and there may be need for additional responses or media briefing on site. We will need to communicate and work with Tom McClellan as well since he will have a large contingent of sports media on site. He is aware an ECU News representative will be in the operations center.

I will remain in town this weekend and be available to come to the stadium as well if needed.

Doug Boyd is our on-call this weekend and is experienced with media relations. He has an all access pass.

Bill and Jason, can you and Doug work out the logistics of this and confirm when we get this set up?

Thank you!

Mary

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**From:** Hardy, Virginia  
**Sent:** Saturday, October 01, 2016 8:46 AM  
**To:** Staton, Cecil  
**Cc:** Hopf, James  
**Subject:** Today's game activity

Here's my update. Still a bit vague. My team is still trying to navigate this, but it was late in the discussion.

Still a protest but looks like only 10-15 students. They have not decided what they will do but were leaning to just not playing. If they don't play, then it will impact their grade because this part of a course.

As part of our normal process, we have notified PD just so they are aware ... for possible reactions, etc.

It appears that this discussion has been going on since at least Monday with the band.

I do not want to step on others' toes or get into my colleagues' situations but I would like to suggest that I am made aware as soon as possible about potential demonstrations...& brought into the conversations with the groups/individuals on the front end.

This would make sure that we talk about all the necessary things (e.g. Reason, message, best way to express it, plan, etc.). We have helped other groups and helped to make those events effective, organized, etc. (& sometimes impacted the decision to do or not or timing). Of course, I would appreciate talking more about this. Thx vdh

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** FERPA Protected  
**Sent:** Friday, September 30, 2016 9:22 PM  
**To:** Staub, William Donald, III  
**Subject:** Game Day Concerns

Hello Dr. Staub,

After further thought into the events that might occur tomorrow, I feel like my safety is at risk. I'm sure you are just as stressed about this as I am but I honestly don't know what to do in this situation. Some of the things I'm thinking may be a little far fetched but my personal well-being is priority, especially in a situation like this. What are some things I can do?

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