# What do we expect of each other as staff members at Baylor? 1

#### Commit to Baylor's mission and vision

- Support Baylor's mission
- Work within your role to help accomplish the mission and vision
- Keep informed about issues affecting higher education and how they affect Baylor's mission and vision
- See the big picture of how your work fits into Baylor's mission and vision, and into your department's goals

#### Pursue excellence in your work

- Continuously work to hone your technical/functional skills
- Continuously work to improve processes in your department
- Take personal responsibility for your work
- Attend to important details
- Drive for results
- Practice good judgment and good decision making
- Take pride in doing things right, rather than "just getting it done"
- Be action oriented and energetic about your work
- Persevere

#### Serve others willingly and well

- Take extra steps when necessary to provide better service
- Listen to the people you serve; seek ways to serve them better; think of ways to make their lives easier
- Be empathetic, friendly and tactful to those you serve
- Learn to serve even difficult people graciously
- Use good service techniques, such as good telephone skills
- Establish good relationships with the people you serve
- Work to overcome barriers to good service in your area

## Be a good steward of time, resources, and your own energy

- Practice good organization skills and good time management
- Prioritize
- Use goal setting and planning to help you focus your efforts
- Be responsible with Baylor's money; follow Baylor's financial policies
- Maintain a balance between work and the rest of your life

#### **Seek learning**

- Welcome and apply feedback
- Seek development opportunities
- Take on new challenges
- Learn to deal with change productively

## **Build good work relationships and contribute to a collegial work environment**

- Be honest and ethical
- Be trustworthy; work to build trust
- Work to communicate well both interpersonally and in writing
- Listen
- Approach work and others with a positive attitude
- Identify and acknowledge your own strengths and weaknesses
- Accept and appreciate differences in others
- Cooperate; think win-win
- Be caring and considerate
- Respect your co-workers
- Be approachable, pleasant, and gracious
- Be composed and patient
- Express disagreements assertively and tactfully
- Work to resolve problems productively

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Note the bullet points under each general expectations are meant to be examples, not exhaustive lists, of behaviors that might be included within that general expectation.

## In addition, What is expected of Baylor Supervisors?<sup>2</sup>

#### Be fair /Inspire trust

- Use fair and legal management practices
- Avoid even the perception of favoritism
- Don't discriminate
- Keep confidences
- Be truthful and direct
- Model consistency and composure
- Intentionally behave in ways that build trust

#### Hire well

- Use legal and fair hiring practices
- Identify what knowledge, skills and attitudes are required for a position
- Use interviewing and other hiring techniques skillfully
- Follow policies and procedures in hiring
- Consider motivational and behavioral fit, and fit with Baylor's mission when hiring, as well as technical skill

#### Help people develop

- Hold regular development discussions
- Help employees construct and execute development plans
- Encourage employees to regularly take time for development activities
- Use delegation as a developmental tool
- Help people to learn from their mistakes
- Provide constructive feedback
- Be aware of each employee's career goals
- Encourage people to develop their gifts/skills even if it means they may eventually leave you or leave Baylor

#### Lead with courage

- Let people know where they stand
- Face up to problems quickly and directly
- Step up to conflicts; see them as opportunities for improvement
- Don't be afraid to take negative action when necessary (probation, firing, etc.)

#### Manage legally and according to policy

- Keep up to date on the legal implications of various management practices
- Make sure your management practices are well within legal parameters
- Keep abreast of Baylor policies and fulfill your responsibilities accordingly

#### Manage performance

- Develop goals and standards for your area that are aligned with the mission and vision of the university
- Establish clear expectations and directions
- Set and communicate priorities
- Hold yourself and the people in your area accountable for accomplishing goals and standards
- Help individuals develop goals that are in alignment with departmental goals
- Provide information that will help individuals monitor their own and the department's performance
- Use coaching and feedback skills to help people perform well
- Recognize and reward good performance
- Take action to improve performance deficiencies
- Organize resources and processes to accomplish the work of the department effectively

#### Build a good working environment

- Be approachable
- Understand that different people are motivated by different things; match motivation to the individual
- Empower the people whom you supervise
- Invite input; share ownership and visibility
- Acknowledge and celebrate team accomplishments
- Recognize and utilize contributions of people from diverse backgrounds and different behavioral styles
- Promote team cohesiveness
- Keep people informed about decisions, changes, issues, etc. that affect them
- Encourage and model open and direct twoway communication
- Use coaching and feedback skills to help people work together well

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> These expectations for supervisors are in addition to the general expectations for all Baylor employees.