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## Quick Facts

- President Dan Mahony will present the second annual State of the University address on Thursday, Oct. 5, at 11:15 a.m. in Byrnes Auditorium.
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President Dan Mahony

ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA – Winthrop University **President Dan Mahony** will present the second annual **State of the University** address on Thursday, Oct. 5, at 11:15 a.m. in **Byrnes Auditorium**.

During the address, Mahony will **provide updates on initiatives** to drive enrollment, retention, student success, diversity and fundraising. Those initiatives were identified along with five goals that Mahony introduced at last year's inaugural State of the University Address where he unveiled the **university's strategic plan** entitled "**The Winthrop Plan: A Strategy to Become a National Model for a Student-Centered University Experience.**"

Currently, **five working groups are tracking progress on the goals** outlined in the Winthrop Plan. The creation of these working groups assists in continuing the good work that already has been accomplished in the last year, in addition to providing an additional layer of **transparency throughout the process.**

The **strategic planning process began in fall 2015.** Mahony met with members of each department and office to gather feedback that would start to shape the planning process. The plan development was led by a strategic planning committee comprised of faculty, staff and students, with the support of seven working groups which focused on key areas of priority. Their work ultimately provided the basis for the strategic plan that Mahony debuted last year.

The State of the University address is open to the public and is an approved cultural event for Winthrop students. For those who cannot attend, the presentation will be available for viewing in real time via Facebook Live, and a video of the full presentation will be available at [www.winthrop.edu/president](http://www.winthrop.edu/president) within a few days of the event.

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