TRUMAN'S RESPONSE | Truman ensures international students' security after travel ban.

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Morin said Thomas wanted to meet with international students and give them reassurance on the ban as well as talk about their futures at Truman. Morin said Crist sent out an email to all the international students that informed them of Thomas' offer to talk and the time they could come.

The ban has been difficult for the international education community, Morin said. Morin said the international education community has worked hard and so collaboratively to send a message of inclusivity.

"We want [international students] to come and study in the United States," Morin said. "So when something like [the ban] happens, it's unfortunate because regardless of [what] the rationale is, the fallout from it will be that, globally, the impression [of] the United States is 'You're not welcome in the United States.' It's going to take time to see how this plays out and what subsequently happens. Our perspective is we still want to send that message to students from wherever they're from, that they're welcome to come to our campus, and we will do whatever we can to help them and to help educate them at Truman if that's the right fit for them."

Crist said Trump's current ban doesn't impact international student visas. Crist said the ban is about entry to the United States. The only thing that's changed, Crist said, is that prospective students that want to make appointments for future semesters at Truman aren't allowed to right now.

Crist said opposing the ban is important for universities and for making peace.

"We have worked long and hard for international education — [for] students to come to us, for students to go abroad, [and the same for] scholars, researchers," Crist said. "[Truman is] primarily an undergraduate institution, but some of these other universities, they're talking about a thousand scholars and 4,000 students or something like that. Why? Because we know that international education is the hallmark of the future. Really an educated populous is what makes the world a safer place. Why fight against [the ban]? We want the world to be a safer place."

In addition, Crist said Truman doesn't know as of now how the ban will affect Truman's international students' travel in and out of the United States. Crist said Truman will have to wait and see how the ban progresses.

SMOOTHIE KING | Truman alumna Jacklyn Floyd opens up Smoothie King in Kirksville.

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Floyd said she encourages new customers to check out their new app "Smoothie King Rewards," which is available on the Apple App Store and Google Play. With it, customers can get discounts of up to $2 just for signing up, according to Smoothie King's website. The app also encourages users to keep coming back with its "healthy rewards," on which users can spend points acquired through each purchase.

Assistant City Manager Ashley Young said he's already received optimistic comments from one nearby business about the Smoothie King franchise. Young said he is hopeful about the franchise's ability to tap into a market that's currently unexplored in Kirksville. Floyd had also mentioned there were no other businesses in Kirksville that tackled the meal-replacement model.

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The new Smoothie King coming to Kirksville will be Jackie Floyd's third Smoothie King franchise she has opened. Floyd is a Truman alumna and former Kirksville resident.

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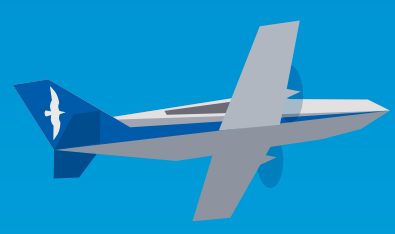

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