Dear Wesley College Family,

This past weekend would have culminated another impactful and successful semester here at Wesley College with the scheduled May 8th Commencement for the Class of 2020…but that changed a few months ago when our world, and way of life, changed as the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic took hold. Though the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic has certainly had an impact on our day-to-day lives, it had no impact on our Wolverine Spirit, nor our ability to adapt and overcome.

Thanks to the dedication, persistence, and remarkable adaptability of our students, faculty, and staff we completed a successful and unprecedented Spring semester. Additionally, though we cannot all be physically together, not recognizing the great Class of 2020, and celebrating their remarkable achievements, was not an option, and quite frankly, never considered. On May 23rd we will go live with our Virtual Commencement Celebration in honor of the Class of 2020.

As posted in Update #10, last week, but worth repeating – All mandates issued in previous updates remain in effect unless modified in a subsequent update. Some important mandates worth repeating include:

- The Campus is closed to the public, all personnel considered non-essential, to include all students.
  - Guidance when students may return to campus to fully move out of the Residence Halls will be provided before the end of the month. However, unless current state restrictions are relaxed, our move-out date will most likely not be until sometime in early June.
- All gyms, weight rooms, Wesley West, Drass Field, the Baseball Stadium, and the Softball field are closed and off limits.
- The select few essential personnel that remain on campus must wear a face covering whenever transiting through campus buildings, when in a room with somebody else, actively involved with maintenance inside a campus building, involved with food preparation/delivery, or outside when at least six feet of social separation cannot be guaranteed.
Only two individuals may utilize an elevator at any given time and face coverings must be worn, and at least six feet of social separation must be maintained.

**Please continue to regularly check your Wesley email as well as the College’s website** for the most up to date information and guidance on our Coronavirus (COVID-19) page on our website – [https://wesley.edu/coronavirus-covid-19-information](https://wesley.edu/coronavirus-covid-19-information).

I can’t stress enough the importance of each and every one of us doing our part to stem the spread of the virus. Remember, as the doctors and health care professionals search for a medical vaccine, we have in our power a social/behavioral vaccine that can be just as effective in the near term in mitigating the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) - Continue to STAY at HOME as much as possible, practice social distancing 24/7, wash hands thoroughly & often, utilize a face covering/mask when out in public, and follow mandated guidance.

Stay informed, stay healthy, stay positive, and stay safe while helping others that are less fortunate and making a positive impact in the community you live in and serve.

For the thought of the day I will share a quote from self-proclaimed “thought leader” and author, Roy T. Bennett, that is worth reflecting on – “Don't be pushed around by the fears in your mind. Be led by the dreams in your heart.”

All The Best & Go Wolverines!

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