Dear Wesley College Family,

I hope this note finds you and your family safe and well, and I wish for you a restful and family filled July 4th Holiday weekend.

Our phased reopening of campus continues with the following near term plans:

- We are renting out selected outdoor athletic facilities for competitive play & small group camps. All groups will have to strictly abide by all protocols mandated by the State as well as our in place protocols to ensure as best as possible participant safety, while also mitigating the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19).
- We will be renting Residence Hall rooms to Delaware State University this summer for some of their Fall sports teams to help out our neighbor institution who find themselves in need of residential space due to housing shortages as a result of several variables including residence hall construction/upgrades taking place on their campus. They have also asked for space during the Academic Year, and we are working through the details that will ensure space for the needs of both our institutions and the students we serve. Wesley College students who have already selected rooms and deposited will not be effected, and will get the rooms they have requested and been assigned. The remaining, and yet unassigned rooms, will be assigned on a first come – first serve basis to equitably meet the student needs of Wesley College and Delaware State University. All students will be required to follow our in place protocols to ensure as best as possible campus safety, while also mitigating the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19).

The next two phases of our reopening, as previously reported, will be when our Fall student athletes return for their respective Fall camps, followed by the return of the entire student body in August as normally planned. Our number one priority is to ensure, as best as possible, the safest and educationally conducive campus environment, while at the same time doing our part with our city, county, and state agencies in preventing and/or mitigating the chance of COVID-19 infections on campus.

The protocols and policies for return to campus, athletics, and how educational instruction will be executed will be posted next week on our Webpage, as well as outlined in Update #19 that will be transmitted next Thursday. Some of the protocols and policies include, but are not limited to:

- Pre-arrival screening if possible and self-reporting.
- Phased move-in to residence halls.
- Masking, social distancing, and hygiene requirements and protocols already in place (outlined in previous updates and summarized last week in Update #17).
• Class rooms and dining facilities will be set up to support proper social distancing.
• Plexi-glass barriers will be implemented and signage directing movement will be implemented where appropriate.
• Increased cleaning of common areas and surfaces, as well as increased hand sanitation dispensers and sanitizing wipes have been implemented.
• A hybrid model for educational instruction will be implemented to ensure as much as possible an in class environment while also providing options for high risk populations, as well as contingency plans in case State requirements mandate adjustments to instructional delivery resultant from uncertainties arising from the Coronavirus (COVID-19).

All mandates issued in previous updates remain in effect unless modified in a subsequent update. 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.

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 19th Century American philosopher/psychologist, William James, that is worth reflecting on – “The greatest weapon against stress is our ability to choose one thought over another.”

All The Best & Go Wolverines!

Robert E. Clark II
President of the College