



Class Agents Letter

Class of 1989

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Dear Class of '89,

It is hard to know how to start this class agent letter given the current crisis facing our country and our planet. We hope that in spite of everything currently happening, we can provide you with what we hope will be a little bit of normality during a time that seems anything but normal.

Following the College's decision to suspend in-person classes, Wabash rapidly moved to online teaching. While students were all strongly encouraged to return home, the college is still continuing day to day operations. There are less than 50 students remaining on campus (those unable to return home to visa, travel, or other reasons) and the college continues to provide housing, food services and support to them. Most staff members are working from home. For more information on how the student health needs are being met, click on this link for the [Wabash College Student Health Center](#).

As you may have heard, the **2020 Big Bash Reunion** which was originally scheduled for June 5-7 is postponed, and a new date will be forthcoming from the College. If you already registered for any events, you can expect to hear something from the college in the near future. Updates can be found online at www.wabash.edu/bigbash.

The annual **Day of Giving**, originally scheduled for April 7, 2020 has been postponed but we are told it may occur prior to the end of June. We will let you know when the date is set. In the meantime, start thinking about your fiscal year-end gift to the College. Your support, large or small, will matter even more this year. You will hear from us again on this matter but for now, just keep the College in mind.

Essentially, all events in April have been canceled or postponed. The college is currently looking at those events scheduled in May and June to determine if these will also need to be changed.

Construction on the new stadium continues! At this point, the stadium remains on schedule to be ready for Wabash to host the first home game against Rose-Hulman on September 5th. View this link for the [live stadium construction webcam](#).



The college launched its new website during spring break. As a teaser, the home page begins with “We might be the best school in America”. (What do they mean “might be”?) If you have not yet seen it, you can [visit it here](#).

For those of you looking for other ways to keep up with what is happening at the college, check out the March 27, 2020 issue of [The Bachelor](#) (which is continuing operations during this time), or [use this link to access all past issues online](#).

Wabash College President Gregory Hess announced that he will be stepping down effective June 30, 2020 to assume the role of CEO at [IES \(International Education of Students\) Abroad](#) described as a Chicago-based, not-for-profit, academic consortium of the world’s finest colleges and universities that provides international education and study abroad programs to college students worldwide. We would like to join the rest of the Wabash Community in conveying our best wishes to Dr. and Mrs. Hess as they begin this new adventure. For more information about Dr. Hess’ career [click here](#).

As of the time of writing this, Dr. Hess had announced the difficult decision to postpone the on-campus **Commencement Ceremony**. For now, there will be a live-streamed Virtual Commencement on Sunday, May 17 at 2:30 p.m. The name of each graduating senior will be read while their photo is displayed and there will be a senior class speaker. Currently plans are being discussed for a possible on-campus Commencement Ceremony at a later date. We are certain that more information will be forthcoming once decisions are finalized.

Until next time, stay positive and stay healthy.

We find ourselves in difficult times, but as we all know, **WABASH ALWAYS FIGHTS!**

Yours in Wabash,

Chris Bojrab & Tony Lentych,
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Wabash.

High value.

High reward.