

May 10, 2021	
То:	Wabash Community
From:	President Scott Feller and Dr. Ann Taylor
Re:	Community Update for May 10, 2021

We begin the final week of the academic year with our last weekly community update. But please continue to check your email over the summer as we will undoubtedly have more information to share as we transition to a more traditional form in the fall 2021 semester.

We are glad to conclude on a high note by reporting that our last week of surveillance testing resulted in all negative tests. Having zero students in quarantine or isolation is a great way to wrap up finals and move into Commencement. We are so very honored and pleased that we will be able to hold an inperson Commencement Ceremony this weekend, which will give us an opportunity to pay tribute to the classes of 2020 and 2021 and everyone who has sacrificed so much to get us to this point.

As our campus achieves the important milestones of very low community spread and high vaccination coverage, we are beginning to field questions about how and when COVID-19 mitigation tactics will be relaxed or suspended. We will work in the coming weeks to quantify the percentage of people in the College community who have been vaccinated, which is the single most important factor in how far and how fast we get back to normal. If you have not yet been able to be vaccinated, please sign up as soon as possible. We will send instructions on how to securely share your status.

This year has been challenging and all of us have experienced moments of frustration and a sense of loss. But we have carried out our mission of educating young men to think critically, act responsibly, lead effectively, and live humanely in a difficult world. Hopefully we have all learned something about ourselves and our capacity for resilience. We have certainly learned important lessons about what we can do as a community when we are #WabashTogether.

With gratitude for you and all you bring to campus,

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