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Some updates and Information

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Hello All,

Just wanted to reach out as I promised I would when I had more information to share.

I hope that you all saw the email that President Cooper sent you this morning with regards to Commencement. If you did not the plan is two fold from this point.

Plan A is that you would have Baccalaureate on Saturday, August 22 on campus. I am pushing to get this event back outside :) Typically, this event is held after graduate commencement. I am still unsure about the timing of the baccalaureate ceremony but this has usually taken place around 1:30pm. Ceremony is about an hour in length and families are encouraged to attend. You will need to wear your cap & gown for this event. You also get to sit next to anyone you want to for this ceremony.

Commencement would then be held on Sunday, August 23 at the MassMutual Center. The timing for this usually is at 9:30am. Typically students would need to be at MassMutual earlier so you can line up. Getting there around 8:30am would be normal. Ceremony length is usually about 2.5 hours long. Again, please don't quote me on any of these times as they are still to be looked at but thought it could be helpful information :)

Plan B: The college is still being mindful that there are state and national mandates with regards to large gatherings. So if the August commencement can not happen another date would be selected during the Fall semester.

Updates on caps & gowns: I reached out to the bookstore to gather some information about sales and distributions of cap & gowns. This was the managers response:

Herff Jones has a hold on all graduation gear (Pre-Orders & Bulk) and when an announcement is made, we will begin that process. There will be plenty of caps and gowns for those students that didn't pre-order (no worries). Right now we are waiting for the time graduation will be held and when students will be allowed to return to campus.

With the change to Commencement, senior week will not be happening in the traditional way it would have taken place. Again, I know that this is disappointing. I have been working with your class officers to create some senior programming and we are looking for feedback.

Please fill out this survey to help us program for you :)

<https://forms.gle/jr2eyvaC8vELyWJS6>

Senior Class Photos:

I am working with the company now to see how we can get your senior class photo in time for the yearbook. More details to come on this. Not to worry.

Lastly, I created an instagram account in hopes that we can all stay connected with sharing thoughts and photos.

Insta: sc_classof2020

I also was able to work with IT to create a new email for your class. The email is classof2020@springfieldcollege.edu. Please send any questions or concerns to that email and I will be able to respond to them. You can also send me photos so that I can add them to the yearbook.

As I was going through old videos and pictures of your class. I found your video from NSO 2016 and thought I would share it out. Seems like just yesterday.

 [NSO 2016 VIDEO.mp4](#)

Hope the video link works. Not sure if it's too large a file to send.

As always sending my love your way. If you need anything please do not hesitate to reach out.
Take good care of yourself!

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