



PARENTS & FAMILIES NEWSLETTER

September 29, 2021



Faculty form the academic procession for Opening Convocation



Updates on COVID-19

The COVID-19 Core Team recently [shared](#) the good news about some promising data from our initial round of baseline testing for students, faculty, and staff. Also, flu vaccination clinics are being held

throughout September and October for our entire campus community; your student should have received information about how to sign up for an appointment.

For links to campus testing results, the CDC, Minnesota Department of Health, and Rice County COVID-19 case data, please visit Carleton's [COVID-19 dashboard](#).

Campus news

The frisbee toss returns for the Class of 2024

The Class of 2024 recently had the chance to recreate one of the first-year traditions that they missed last year due to COVID-19.



Family Weekend is October 15-17

We hope you'll join us to get a taste of what your students are experiencing at Carleton! Check out the schedule of both in-person and virtual events and be sure to register so we know you're coming.



[See the Schedule and Register](#)

As a reminder, Carleton's [expectations for campus visitors](#) require that visitors who plan to eat in the dining halls or attend any Family Weekend events held indoors must be fully vaccinated, or have received a negative COVID-19 test no more than 72 hours before their visit. Masks are required for all attendees at any indoor events.

President Byerly on community



President Byerly addressed the campus at the Opening Convocation of the 2021-22 academic year, speaking extensively on the importance of inclusive community during her address, and more importantly, how we'll get there together.

"As we work towards becoming a more inclusive and equitable community, we have come to recognize that achieving this goal requires more than good will – **it requires resources, commitment, and structure.** . . . The equitable and committed community we seek is not an option or an enhancement to the Carleton experience. **It is absolutely fundamental to our ability to deliver a quality liberal arts education.**"



Give your Carl a taste of home

Is your Carl missing a special recipe from home? You can [submit that recipe](#) to Bon Appetit, and it may be selected to be prepared in the dining halls!

Upcoming events



Tuesday, October 12
12:00 - 1:00 pm Central
Mark Applebaum '89 and Musical Decomposition

Composer and teacher [Mark Applebaum '89](#) discusses his unusual musical path in our monthly [Carleton Connects](#) series.

[Learn more and register](#)



Wednesday, October 13
7:00 - 8:00 pm Central
"Who Am I?" A Conversation about Identity, Donor Conception, and Family

Donor conception and the increased access to family history through home DNA testing raise questions that are relevant to everyone: What makes me me? What is a family? Is it important to know your genetic lineage? The webinar, which takes place during Family History Month and includes [Daniel Groll, Carleton's Director of Family Inquiry](#), will cover these questions, as well as engage with questions submitted by attendees to the virtual discussion

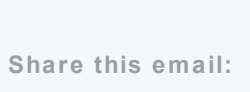
[Learn more and register](#)

Useful Links

- [Parent/Family Gateway](#)
- [COVID-19 campus updates](#)
- [Weekly Convocations](#)
- [Campus Calendar](#)
- [2021-2022 Academic Calendar](#)
- [Make a gift to the Parents Fund](#)



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