A message to families from President Byerly

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As a Carleton ('15) parent myself, I know that whether this is your student's first year or final year, you are probably amazed at how quickly the fall term has gone! It seems like a short time ago that students arrived on campus. Read on for the full message from President Byerly.

Updates on COVID-19

The COVID-19 Core Team recently shared data summarizing the management of COVID-19 on campus in Fall Term, end-of-term testing, boosters, and plans for student arrival on campus Winter Term. 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

Plan for strengthening student residential communities

A key component of the College's current strategic plans, this multi-year, phased plan prioritizes an equitable living experience on campus and a better facility for student health and counseling (SHAC).

In case you missed it

On November 8, President Byerly joined our regular Carleton Connects series to discuss her first 100 days in office.

Fall sports highlights

Carleton's Ultimate teams once again delivered strong performances in the North Central Regionals. CUT and Syzygy were champions of the D-I Men's and Women's divisions, and CHOP placed second in the Men's D-III division. Eclipse previously earned their spot by winning the D-III Women's regional championships in October. This means that four of Carleton's Ultimate teams (or 5% of the student body!) are headed to the Ultimate National Championships in Norco, California on December 17-20.

The Women's Cross Country team earned a trip to the NCAA D-III National Championships in Louisville, Kentucky on November 20, as did Ben Santos '22 and Henry Bowman '23 from the Men's Cross Country team. Check out the full results here.

The football team defeated Macalester College for the second time this season to retain the Book of Knowledge, and finish with the best record since 2008. See more highlights from basketball, soccer, and swimming and diving here.

Supporting students

First generation students at Carleton

On November 8, Carleton celebrated the first-generation students on our campus. November 8 was selected as the date for the annual National First-Generation College Celebration to honor the anniversary of the signing of the Higher Education Act (“HEA”) of 1965. The HEA emerged from President Lyndon B. Johnson’s War on Poverty. Much like other hallmark legislation of that era, such as the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965, HEA was intended to help level the playing field that for too long had been weighed against Americans from minority and low-income backgrounds.

Learn more about how the college supports Carleton’s first-generation students, including a directory of faculty and staff who also identify as first-generation college students.

Teaching and Learning

Inspiring long-lasting curiosity

Did you know almost 3/4 of students study off-campus during their time at Carleton? Learn more about the Off-Campus Studies (OAC) Office, and some of the upcoming programs offered. Off-Campus Studies enriches Carleton’s mission to educate citizens capable of engaging with complex global issues.

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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