



May 26, 2020

Dear Members of the University Community,

As noted previously, we will send regular updates twice each week with other notices sent by the President, other members of Cabinet or members of the University community when necessary.

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Key Information and Communications to Expect This Week

- Jeff Gingerich, Ph.D., Provost/Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs will provide an **update on planning for the fall semester** later this week. In last week's memo the email of our Student Senate contact was listed incorrectly. Students who would like to **provide input as we plan for the Fall 2020 semester can email Jeffrey Colucci at jeffrey.colucci@scranton.edu**.

Updates

- Dr. Gingerich announced **[virtual celebrations](#) planned for the Class of 2020** on May 29-31 that include Class Night, Nurse Blessing of the Hands Awards Ceremony, ROTC Commissioning Ceremony, a Mass for the Class of 2020 and celebrations for the University's graduate and undergraduate classes.
- Robert W. Davis Jr., Ed.D., Vice President for Student Life, announced plans for virtual events for members of the Class of 2020 that include "**Raise a Glass for Your Class**," set for 5 p.m. on May 26, and "**Senior Night Trivia**" planned for the evening of May 27.
- Orders for **Class of 2020 yard signs** were mailed on Friday, May 22.
- Students **may make an appointment to retrieve their belongings in residence halls through to Friday, June 5**. Students must adhere to the safety procedures established for this process, which adhere to the Pennsylvania Department of Health and CDC recommendations. Because of safety concerns and recommendations, the End of the Year Drive will not be conducted during move out. Further information about how students can retrieve their belongings can be seen **[here](#)**.
- The University's Counseling and Human Services Department will host "**Connection and Creativity**," a virtual event scheduled for Tuesday, May 26, at 7 p.m. For more information, or to register, click **[here](#)**.
- The Weinberg Memorial Library announced the winners of the **2020 Bonnie W. Oldham Library Research Prize** competition.

- Applications for the **2021-2022 Fulbright U.S. Scholar competition** are now available and must be submitted by Tuesday, September 15, 2020. Additional information, including the application form and eligibility criteria, can be found [here](#). Contact Tabbi Miller-Scandle, Ph.D., Director of Research and Sponsored Programs, at tabbi.miller-scandle@scranton.edu with any questions.
- Approved, **safety-related repair work to the Parking Pavilion due to cited structural deficiencies will continue through Friday, June 5.** Parking in the Pavilion will not be allowed during this three week period.
- The University's Office of Community Relations will host its second virtual dialogue on **"Finding Community Amid Coronavirus: Identifying What we Value and Seeing the Possibilities Ahead" on June 3** from 4-5:30 p.m. This online discussion is open to the University and Scranton community. Details and registration information [here](#).

You should expect your next regular update on Friday.

Sincerely,

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