



April 7, 2020

Dear Webb Community,

First and foremost, we hope you and your family are well. If the virus has touched your life or a loved one's life, please know our thoughts are with you. Community is at the heart of The Webb School experience, and as someone who is a valued member of this community, we want you to know Webb is here for you as we face these unprecedented events together.

Rapid changes in the scope of the COVID-19 pandemic have led Webb students to experience major adjustments to their academic experience. Disruptions to traditional learning modes, concerns for parents and grandparents, questions about when they will return to campus and what will happen with special celebrations such as prom, senior survival and graduation are top of mind for our students.

Webb has been monitoring the unfolding situation very closely and has taken numerous steps to ensure the safety of our students, faculty and staff. On March 17, the school's COVID-19 Task Group recommended that we close campus for the remainder of the 2019-2020 academic year. The recommendation was affirmed by the school leadership team and then shared with faculty, staff, students and parents. This closure includes on-campus instruction and boarding as well as all events and activities.

On March 30, 2020, Webb faculty began providing educational instruction to our students through distance learning. Faculty worked tirelessly to transition their classes from in-person to online. Although we do expect challenges along the way, we know that our students will continue to receive the best distance-learning education possible. Many faculty members are using Zoom and other visual aids to meet students "face to face" to continue building personal relationships. For information about Webb's response to the pandemic, please visit the school's COVID-19 Task Group webpage at <https://www.thewebbschool.com/the-school/taskgroup>.

For alumni and friends, the primary impact of the pandemic as it relates to Webb is on the postponement of special events and activities such as campus visits and the Webb 150 Celebration and Reunion Weekend. Once campus reopens and when a new date is selected for the special Webb 150 Celebration, we will notify you.

The Office of Alumni and Development, along with other non-academic offices, remains open with staff working remotely and eager to answer any questions about giving, reunion, future activities and more. We will send you additional updates in the coming weeks and are working hard to end our year on a strong note!

For 150 years, the Webb community has collectively created life-changing experiences for students and alumni. Thanks to you, and your ongoing love and commitment to our school, we know this will never change. Be well and stay healthy.

Sincerely,

Ray Broadhead
Head of School