A Message of Support for Delaware’s Class of 2021

November 2020  All of the experiences, course success, knowledge and skills gained over the last four years are essential to preparing you for your educational journey at one of our schools. We understand that these last few months of high school will not look exactly as you had planned. We want you to know that the same is true for us. Our current students are making transitions to online learning and taking a pause in extra-curricular activities as well. **Our commitment to you is that this pause will not negatively impact your ability to apply to, or enroll in, one of our institutions.**

Our admissions and financial aid advisors are here and ready to help you with any questions you may have as you make your decision about where to go. At the end of this letter you will find information about how to contact us for more information. We also want to share some general information to help get you started.

*If you are interested in SEED or Inspire,* you will still need to meet the requirements for GPA, FAFSA completion and a clean record. Your GPA will include your course grades from 9th grade through the end of your school year. We will accept pass/fail grades for courses in the 2019-20 academic year. If you are unsure about your current GPA please reach out to your school counselor. If you have more questions about SEED or Inspire eligibility, please email our financial aid offices. See note under Wilmington University about a unique scholarship for SEED graduates.

*For students applying for financial aid,* the Delaware Higher Education Office has extended the state FAFSA deadline to June 15. The Scholarship Incentive Program and other Incentive Loan applications will be due July 15. Pass/fail grades will be accepted for any state scholarships with GPA requirements. For families who have experienced a loss of income recently, please reach out to your financial aid office to request a special
circumstance review of your FAFSA. You can also check our websites for updates about additional resources for covering registration fees and housing deposits.

**For those of you considering a 4-year college/university please read the following:**

- If submitting an application, be sure to include as much information as possible about your prior activities and school performance up until schools closed in March. We will use this to make decisions about offering admission.
- If you had planned to take the SAT or ACT once more to aim for a higher score, please know that we consider more than just test scores in admissions. We will consider the lack of access to additional testing dates as we view student applications.
- For AP, IB and Dual Enrollment students please see additional information at the end of the letter.
- Submit your decision to enroll and registration deposit online.
- We know that final transcripts may not be available until July or August this year. Please work with your school counselor to have those submitted as soon as possible.

Please plan to review our websites below to get the latest information. Once you’ve selected one of our institutions to enroll, you will begin to receive more detailed updates from the institution. It is important that you regularly review these details and respond immediately to any questions or requests for additional information.

We are all in this together! Congratulations on all of your successes. We are so proud of all of your accomplishments! We are here to help you! If you need assistance, have a question/concern please reach out.

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Delaware College of Art and Design

www.dcad.edu

The Delaware College of Art and Design offers a two-year Associate of Fine Arts Degree in Animation, Illustration, Graphic Design, Fine Art, and Photography. DCAD will consider transcripts reflecting the last marking period as well as pass/fail grades in evaluating applicants. DCAD has waived application fee until the end of November. Please contact admissions@dcad.edu with any questions you might have – we look forward to getting to know you and your work!

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Delaware State University

https://www.desu.edu/student-life/student-health-services/covid-19

Inspire Scholarship:

https://www.desu.edu/admissions/tuition-financial-aid/scholarships/inspire-scholarship

Delaware Technical Community College

Virtual Support Office: https://www.dtcc.edu/virtual/support

SEED Scholarship:

www.dtcc.edu

Goldey-Beacom College

Covid-19 updates: https://www.gbc.edu/fall2020/PresidentialAddress.html
Virtual tour: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YMJuHZZPTVg
www.gbc.edu
Wesley College
www.wesley.edu

Wilmington University
www.wilmu.edu
STAR Scholarship (for SEED graduates): Recipients can earn a 4 year bachelors’ degree with 50% tuition reduction https://www.wilmu.edu/scholarships/STAR_scholarship.aspx

University of Delaware
Covid-19 FAQ: https://www.udel.edu/home/coronavirus/for-students/
Virtual and In-person visits: https://www.udel.edu/apply/undergraduate-admissions/plan-your-visit/
www.udel.edu

College Courses (AP, IB, Dual Enrollment)

AP:
College Board will provide all AP exams online this year. Please see their website for updates:
https://www.collegeboard.org

Dual Enrollment courses:
Please contact your teachers for updates regarding your dual enrollment courses.

IB:
May 2020 exams will not be held. For graduating seniors, diplomas and certificates will be awarded based on completed work. The International Baccalaureate Program has posted COVID-19 updates here: