



PARENTS & FAMILIES NEWSLETTER

April 27, 2022



Students admitted to the Class of 2026 tour campus.

Updates on COVID-19

The COVID-19 Core Team [shared updates to the masking policy](#) on campus, as a result of the low number of cases on campus. The team is continuing to work on a revised decision-making framework to better reflect how decisions are being made at this stage of the pandemic.



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 Community Plan for Inclusion, Diversity, and Equity

Following a vote by the Board of Trustees, President Byerly announced the final version of [The Community Plan for Inclusion, Diversity, and Equity](#) on April 15. This plan is the result of work beginning in the fall of 2020, when a Steering Committee was created and charged with the ambitious task of working with the entire Carleton community to develop a 10-year strategic IDE plan, with a special focus on racial identity and Black experiences.

[Read more about the plan](#)

Return of the Metro Express

Northfield Lines will again be offering transportation to and from the Twin Cities for the Carleton community. Current stops throughout the week include Enterprise Rent-a-Car in Apple Valley, the Mall of America, and the MSP Airport. The [service schedule and information for ticket purchasing](#) are available online.

Carls take top honors in 2022 Nick Adams Short Story Contest

A story by Soren Eversoll '24, "Jean-Pierre Melville is Dead," earns top honors in the [contest offered by the Associated Colleges of the Midwest](#). Fellow Carls Skye Gullede '23 and Andriana Taratsas '23 were each named one of the top five finalists.



Knights Sports Highlights

After a 10-0 start, Carleton's women's team dropped their first match of the season on April 16 with a close loss to Gustavus Adolphus. [Amelia Asfaw '25](#), who remains unbeaten this season in both singles and doubles, secured her first MIAC Women's Tennis Athlete of the Week accolade.



First-year golfer Ryan Choi '25 hit a hole-in-one on a 195-yard hole at a recent invitational. He scored a 74 in the first round, which helped the Carleton men's golf team score a 293, [the lowest 18-hole team score in recorded program history](#). His performance also earned him the MIAC Men's Golf Athlete of the Week honors.

[See more highlights](#) and the schedule for men's and women's tennis, men's and women's track and field, men's and women's golf, baseball, and softball.

Upcoming events

Convocation: Jorge Castañeda

Friday, April 29
10:50am Central

[Jorge Castañeda](#), who served as Foreign Minister of Mexico from 2000 to 2003, is a renowned public intellectual, political scientist, and prolific writer. With expertise in Mexican and Latin American politics, comparative politics, and US-Mexican and U.S.-Latin American relations, he has been a professor at a number of colleges and universities including the University of California Berkeley, Princeton University, New York University, the University of Cambridge, and the National Autonomous University of Mexico.



[Learn more](#)

FARM, the Spring Term Theater Production with Sod House Theater

May 5-8
Carleton Arboretum

Members of the [Sod House Theater](#) company worked with Carleton students to create this site-specific [outdoor performance](#). The production illuminates just a small portion of the history of Minnesota farming and hopes to inspire reflection on the future of farming, the accessibility of fresh food for all Minnesotans, and our relationships with farmers in our state.



[Learn more](#)

Convocation: Phil Chan '06

Friday, May 6
10:50am Central

Phil Chan '06 is a co-founder of Final Bow for Yellowface, and author of [Final Bow for Yellowface: Dancing between Intention and Impact](#). He was just named a Next 50 Arts Leader by the Kennedy Center and is an alumnus of the Ailey School. He serves on the International Council for the Parsons Dance Company, the Advisory Board of *Dance Magazine*, and was a 2020 New York Public Library Robert Robbins Dance Division Research Fellow. His latest project, the "Ballet des Porcelaines," premiered at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in December 2021 and will tour throughout 2022.



[Learn more](#)

Supporting Your Student

The Office of Promotion created a website to help parents and families [support students' mental health](#). Whether your student is struggling with a particular mental health concern, or you would like to learn more about the issue of mental health on college campuses in general, there are a number of resources to explore.

Please note: This website is intended to help parents and faculty provide support to students. If students are seeking direct help with mental health issues, they should visit [Student Health & Counseling \(SHAC\)](#).

[Visit the website](#)

Useful Links

- [Parent/Family Gateway](#)
- [COVID-19 campus updates](#)
- [Weekly Convocations](#)
- [Campus Calendar](#)
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