



Dear Lewis & Clark Community,

Thank you! It's been a privilege and a pleasure to serve as the College's president the past five years. Together we've made tremendous progress during this time, in spite of many unexpected challenges. I feel confident that we are now in very good shape, and that with Dr. Robin H. Holmes-Sullivan's leadership, the College will continue to thrive.

Just this past year, we educated the largest number of students ever, raised another \$30 million toward our campaign goal of \$155 million (for a total of almost \$130 million raised to date), kicked off the long-needed renovation of Templeton Campus Center, and committed to major renovations of residence halls and athletic facilities. And all this while we still had to deal with the impact and uncertainty of the COVID pandemic.

As excited as I am about the college's future, this letter - my last to the campus community as President - is a little bittersweet. It has been so exciting and rewarding to serve this amazing institution - and Alice and I will both miss it tremendously. I will remain involved and of service to Lewis & Clark - and we will still stop by on occasion to walk this beautiful campus. But we will miss having the opportunity to share thoughts and ideas with so many of you on a regular basis. And we will miss the caring and compassionate culture that exemplifies this place most of all.

Lewis & Clark cares deeply about its people - and it shows. Here, I have heard more alumni stories about faculty or staff who went the extra mile than in my entire previous career - and I've seen examples of this in my own time on campus. We are also a resilient group, overcoming challenges to provide our students with an unparalleled educational experience, create and stage wonderful events that add to

the cultural richness of our region, and forge deep personal connections on-campus, in the Portland region and around the world.

The successes of the past five years are not mine; they are ours. The Board of Trustees, so ably led by chair Stephanie Fowler. The many advisory councils and boards. My wonderful colleagues on the Executive Council. Our faculty, staff, and students. Our alumni and other friends and supporters. It has taken all of us, pulling together, to accomplish what we have in these past five years. I am more grateful to each and every one of you than words can express.

The Board of Trustees has been kind enough to establish a scholarship fund in my name. We welcome contributions, which will be matched 1:1 by the Board. You can [click this link](#) if you would like to participate.

Alice and I will be away from Portland much of next year, enjoying lots of travel and my first sabbatical ever! But, as I mentioned earlier, we will be back and we both look forward to seeing our friends here and to supporting the college in any way we can.

Again, thank you to everyone who has been a part of this amazing journey at Lewis & Clark. Alice and I so appreciate the friendship and support you have shown us, our family and this tremendous institution. *Keep Exploring for the Global Good!*

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Wim Wiewel". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Wim Wiewel
President