



# Marietta College

March 8, 2017

Dear 2017 Commencement Participant:

Congratulations! It is my pleasure to celebrate with you on your recent or upcoming graduation.

Marietta College's 2017 Commencement will be held Sunday, May 7, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. in the Marietta College Dyson Baudo Recreation Center. Commencement is a significant event at Marietta College, one surrounded by tradition and history. We look forward to your participation as we celebrate this tremendous milestone for the Class of 2017.

Diplomas are being ordered and preparations are under way for making this a memorable experience for you, your family, and your friends! A Commencement information packet is also being sent to the family members specified on your Graduation Application. If you did not include family addresses but would like to have a family packet sent, please contact Gail Milone at 740-376-4728.

**This is the only mailing that you will receive regarding Commencement.** After carefully reviewing the enclosed information, please feel free to contact the Records Office at 376-4723 with any questions. You also are encouraged to visit <http://www.marietta.edu/commencement> for up-to-date information or to find copies of all information included in this packet and in the family information packet.

**The most important enclosure is the 2017 Commencement Guidelines and Information Sheet.**

Please read carefully the entire sheet, front and back, as it contains important information, including:

- **Mandatory (and CELEBRATORY!) Grad Fest:** All currently enrolled students participating in Commencement or graduating in May or August 2017 MUST participate in the Pioneer Grad Fest Monday, April 17, between 10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., in the Marietta College Bookstore. If a conflict prevents you from participating in this required one-stop shop, or if you will be participating in Commencement but not currently enrolled, please contact the Records Office at [records@marietta.edu](mailto:records@marietta.edu) to make other arrangements. You will need to provide verification that you participated to pick up your cap and gown from the bookstore.
- **Diploma distribution:** Grades will be processed on May 11 so diplomas will not be distributed at Commencement. Spring graduates will be notified by email when diplomas are available.

Other enclosures include information on the Jewett Competition, the 2017 Commencement Schedule and Senior Send Off schedule of events, and a letter from Bruce Heflin Photography, who will take cap and gown portraits as well as a photograph of you shaking hands with President Ruud.

Please let us know if we may be of assistance. We trust that your connections to Marietta College – your new Alma Mater – will remain strong. Best wishes for success in your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

Tina Perdue  
Registrar

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