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Dear Class of 2024 Parents and Families:

Due to the continued, national impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, I have made the decision to indefinitely postpone the Class of 2024's Plebe Parents Weekend. This was a very difficult decision to make. After thorough consideration and consultation with my entire leadership team, including USNA's health professionals, I believe this is a necessary decision in order to safeguard the health and welfare of the entire Naval Academy family and local community.

As both a Naval Academy graduate and parent, I know this is very disappointing to all of you, given this is traditionally the first glimpse of your son or daughter's transition from civilian to military life, to see where they spent the summer transforming, and your first opportunity to meet and visit with your plebe's sponsors. While you won't be able to be with them in person, we will ensure your plebe is provided extra time the weekend of August 8th to communicate virtually with you.

We continue to exist in uncharted, uncertain, and unprecedented times. This is an indefinite postponement; we will continue to look at possible dates as the nation continues to fight this pandemic. We look forward to having you visit the Naval Academy and Annapolis in the future, when the environment and conditions permit. For those that were able to participate in the Plebe Parents Forum on one of the I-Days - it was great that we had that time together already. Thank you for your support, understanding, and for entrusting us with your sons and daughters. Stay safe and be well -- Go Navy!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sean J. Buck".

S. S. BUCK
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Superintendent