

October 31, 1968

Dear Mr. Dylan,

The senior class at Bennington would like you to speak at their commencement on Friday, June 13, 1969. The graduation here is a simple one, and the speech is given on the evening preceding the actual ceremony. This should provide an informal atmosphere in which a speaker feels free to create his own environment, doing simply what he feels best doing. It seems, however, that too often speakers merely give us speeches of quasi-Establishment advice. We are asking you to come because we want to hear whatever you have to say to us, however you might choose to say it.

Please consider our invitation - and we would appreciate it if you could notify us of your decision by November 20. Thank you.

Sincerely,

*(Kathleen Norris)*