

Bennington College - Commencement <commencement@bennington.edu>

## **BENNINGTON COLLEGE**

Dear faculty and staff,

We wanted to share some ways you can engage with the 2022 Commencement process.

## **Commencement Speaker Committee**

Faculty and staff are welcome to <u>submit feedback</u> by **Wednesday**, **November 10** to inform the choice of the 2022 Bennington College Commencement speaker.

There will be a Commencement Speaker Committee formed to make recommendations to President Walker, who will make the final decision.

- The Committee will be composed of seniors, faculty, and leadership.
- Faculty can <u>let the Provost's office know</u> if they would like to serve on this committee by **Wednesday**, **November 10**.

## Senior Speaker and Senior Speaker Selection Committee

- Faculty and staff can nominate students to encourage them to apply to be Senior Speaker. Please <u>send your nominations</u> by Wednesday, November 10; the students will then be invited to apply.
- Faculty and staff can nominate students who will serve on the Senior Speaker Committee. Please <u>submit</u> your nominations by **Wednesday, November 10**; these will be shared with the Dean of Student Life, who will make the final decision.
- Any and all graduating seniors are welcome to apply to be Senior Speaker; they should submit an <u>application</u> and draft of their speech to the <u>Commencement email</u> by **Friday**, <u>December 3</u>.

## **Commencement Planning Committee**

A committee is being put together to inform commencement planning, as a whole. This will be composed of students—including representatives from the Commencement Speaker Committee and Senior Speaker Committee, and a representative from the junior class, who will commit to serving on the committee as a senior—as well as faculty, staff, and College Leadership. The Provost's Office will make the final choices for students. Faculty and staff can <a href="Let the Provost's office know">Let the Provost's office know</a> if they would like to serve by Wednesday, November 10.