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**Subject:** IMPORTANT INFORMATION for MATCH DAY ~ from the Office of Medical Communications

(Please refer any questions about the information in this email to [Madison Wood](#).)

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION for MATCH DAY

Dear Class of 2018,

**Match Day is just 2 weeks away** and we can't wait to celebrate with you on Friday, March 16!

Please be aware that there are several **important pieces of information you should be aware of prior to the event.**

1. **Please show up on time!**
  - a. Student should gather in the Medical Education Pavilion Lobby, outside Sullivan Classroom (Med Ed 200) between 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.
  - b. We will have light breakfast foods and beverages available (for students only).
  - c. We will have sunglasses, beads, and other celebratory items that we will hand out to students (we will have a few "light-up" headbands for children in attendance).
2. **Visitor Parking**
  - a. If your family/friends will be attending, here is the link to information about [Visitor Parking](#) on campus.
3. **Student Line-Up, Class Photo, Procession**
  - a. At 11:30 a.m. sharp, the Class of 2018 will line up on the steps of the Medical Education Pavilion Lobby.
  - b. A class photo will be taken by professional photographer Andy Duback.
  - c. At 11:38 a.m., the procession, led by bagpiper, faculty member and alumnus H. James Wallace, M.D.'88, will commence down the Given hallway and into the Hoehl Gallery.
4. **What to expect**
  - a. After welcome remarks from Dean Jeffries, Dean Morin, Provost Rosowsky, and Dr. Laurie Leclair, your classmate and Student Council President Stephanie Alexis Brooks will share her remarks and outline the process for drawing envelopes.
  - b. Just before noon, Dr. Zehle and her team will arrive with the Match envelopes
  - c. The first name will be called at 12:00 noon sharp.
5. **What to do when your name is called**
  - a. Your classmates Kate Anderson, Beth Doughty, and Charlotte Hastings will call 3-4 names at a time.
  - b. When your name is called, you should walk to the left side of the stage (closest to the stairs).
  - c. When you get there, Kate, Beth, or Charlotte will hand you your envelope.
  - d. You have several options at this point:
    - i. **You can take your envelope and open it privately.**
      - If you choose this option, immediately after you take your envelope, please make sure you drop a dollar in the dollar jar that is on the left side of the podium (when facing the stage) or give your dollar to Kate, Beth, or Charlotte to do so for you.

ii. **You can take your envelope, open it privately, and then return to the stage later to share your news.**

- If you choose this option, immediately after you take your envelope, please make sure you drop a dollar in the dollar jar that is on the left side of the podium (when facing the stage) or give your dollar to Kate, Beth, or Charlotte to do so for you.

iii. **You can take your envelope, open it on stage, and use the microphone at the podium to share your news.**

- If you choose this option, please make sure you drop a dollar in the jar that will be located on the side of the podium as you approach the podium.
- Please dispose of your envelope in the recycling bin that will be on your right when you are at the podium.
- You are welcome to bring your family members or friends on stage for support as you open and share your news.
- When you share your news, please state your name, the specialty you're going into, and the location of your residency.
- Walk down the opposite set of stairs you walked up, shaking hands with leadership before you do.

e. Please remember – names are called several at a time to ensure a steady flow of traffic, so your decision to read or not will not be noticed.

f. Historically, even those students who feel nervous before opening their envelopes in public often feel inspired by the joy and support shared at the event and end up sharing their news at the podium!

6. **What if I can't attend?**

- a. If you cannot be here in person to open your envelope, you can designate someone to pick it up, open it, and share it on your behalf.
- b. You can watch the event via [livestream](#).

7. **What if I entered the Match as a couple or want to open my envelope with a classmate?**

- a. If you entered the Match as a couple or would like to open your envelope with a classmate, **please ask Emma Faustner** to staple your envelopes together by **no later than Wednesday, March 14 at 12:00 noon.**

Please note that we will be [livestreaming the event](#) so that your family and friends who can't be here with you can share in this exciting moment. We will also be taking lots of photos and engaging on our social media channels – we encourage you to do the same and use the hashtags #uvmlarnermed , #Match 2018 , #lifelonglarners and #uvmfuturedoc when posting!

Questions? Feel free to reach out to [Madison Wood, communications and events coordinator](#).