



*From the Office of the President*

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REGIS UNIVERSITY | DENVER, COLORADO

**Safe at Home**

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Dear Colleagues,

Since Friday, our Regis Rangers have hosted 16 home field contests – winning 13 – in baseball, softball, basketball and volleyball. Sadly, our winning streak was achieved without a Ranger fan inside the fences or gates to cheer. The 34 cardboard cutouts purchased by ardent supporters sprinkled in the stands are appreciated but clearly not the same as even 34 in-person supporters clapping and cheering.

Frankly, I am in awe of the determination of our student-athletes to compete so fiercely for the sake of the game and their teammates without the benefit of a live cheering section. The University's decision to keep all fans out of home field competitions was made with an overabundance of caution but was borne out of compassion. The overarching intent is to safeguard and protect the equilibrium for learning, living and working on campus this Spring. Fan restrictions have also been extended to competing teams from Nebraska, Utah, Montana and Kansas to be as safe as possible.

Our student-athletes, our coaches, and our administrators have put Regis University at the forefront since we abruptly cancelled competitions last Spring and decided to move all Fall sports to 2021. Losing a traditional season, staying conditioned and motivated has required an incredible amount of diligence and patience among all.

While we may be sidelined as fans, I invite you to join me in applauding our Rangers from a safe but enthusiastic distance. I encourage you to support our teams via livestream at [regisrangers.com](https://regisrangers.com) or any other creative or meaningful way you would like to show your support.

Gratefully,

Rev. John P. Fitzgibbons, S.J.  
President