

Dear [Name],

We hope this letter is reaching you all in spirits and eager for what the year 2021 will bring. Even with the Covid -19 Virus, political upheaval and everything else that is going on the Central Committee has been working on our 60th reunion! That is right, 60 years ago in the June of 1961, we received our diploma from Nichols and have been navigating the world ever since.

Originally, we were anticipating a traditional first weekend in June reunion celebration, bringing together the graduates of all classes, in the Quad for cocktails on Friday, class dinners on Saturday and other activities surrounding; however, the Central Committee has judged this not to be a great idea for our class. Only seven of us - Adams, Buyers, Cohen, Hopkins, Lunn, Scheidt & Takats - still live in Buffalo. We are all an age that is at risk for Covid, so mingling with a crowd of celebrating younger people is a risk most of us would not take, even with Fauci precautions. Unless you can drive to Buffalo, public transportation is a risk not to be undertaken for a reunion.

The Central Committee has decided that we will celebrate our sixtieth reunion by asking each of you to contribute to an Updated Verdian ("UV'61") like the one we made in 2011. See your page circa 2011 (enclosed or a sample page). We hope that each of you will contribute a recent picture - we know it will not be pretty - and the answers to the questions on the enclosed questionnaire or any statement that you would like to make. We will combine all pictures and writings into a printed "momento" publication. We are starting now so that UV'61 will be ready by June. You should expect phone calls and emails from the Central Committee not only to shag info for UV'61 but also to catch up.

We are also considering a Zoom class meeting during reunion weekend so we can check out each other. This should be interesting and manageable (with 38 of us remaining). More to come on this soon.

As you know, a traditional class gift to Nichols is appreciated for five and zero reunion years. Our class set a record for our fiftieth. The goal we set was \$61,000 although we ended up raising \$63,000. It was something of a record and the Central Committee received a trophy!! Since then, our class has consistently supported the school at very respectable levels - \$17,000 for 2019, with a high level of class participation.

We are working on a class gift that will be a fitting remembrance of our class and of lasting/significant value to Nichols.

The Central Committee would appreciate comments/criticisms/ compliments and suggestions about our 60th reunion plans and our class gift. Please reach out to <u>rba@richardadams.com</u> or <u>fcohen@fbcesq.com</u>.

Very Truly Yours,

The Central Committee



Ways of Giving

Credit Cards

To make a gift by credit card, visit www.nicholsschol.org/give.

Venmo

Find us on Venmo @NicholsSchool.

Checks

Please make checks payable to Nichols School. The mailing address is: 1250 Amherst Street; Buffalo, NY 14216. If a letter is not sent with your check, please indicate in the memo line "The Nichols Fund."

Pledges

Donors willing to make a commitment to the Nichols Parent Fund, but not yet wishing to make a payment, may do so by making a pledge which can be fulfilled any time before June 1, 2021. The Advancement Office will mail pledge reminder letters throughout the year. Making a pledge, particularly early in the fund year is an important tool for establishing momentum.

Corporate Matching Gifts

Many corporations offer matching gift programs that can double or triple the value of your gift to Nichols! What's more, many employers will also match contributions of spouses, retirees, and trustees. Please contact your Human Resources or Community Relations office for eligibility and matching gift forms.

Gifts of Stock

Contact your broker to make an electronic gift using the following delivery instructions: Affleure Financial Account Name - Nichols School Account # - HDQ-348848 DTC# 0226 Account Custodian: National Financial Services Broker/Dealer Commonwealth Financial Network Contact Tarik Kawi 716-881-9000

All gifts to Nichols School are fully tax-deductible of the law. Tax ID/EIN: 16-0755808



Giving Societies

Leadership gifts are the cornerstone of the Nichols Fund, comprising of 80% of the \$1.23 million raised last year. Leadership Giving Society members have the power to significantly impact life at Nichols today.

Leadership Giving Societies

Founders Club	\$20,000 +
Trustee Club	\$10,000 - \$19,999
John J. Albright Club	\$5,000 - \$9,999
George A. Mitchell Club	\$3,000 - 4,999
1250 Club	\$1,250 - \$2,999



Reunion Event Schedule

The tentative full weekend schedule and hotel booking information is up at www.nicholsschool.org/alumni/reunion

For now, save the date and take note of the following schedule:

SATURDAY, July 17

10:00 a.m. -Noon - Brunch and Head of School Update, followed by campus tour

SUNDAY, July 18

6:00-9:00 p.m. Dinner at Park Country Club



Reunion Giving Form

STEP 1 | CHOOSE YOUR REUNION GIFT

In honor of your milestone reunion June 4-5, 2021, alumni are encouraged to consider joining the Leadership Giving Societies with a multi-year pledge of \$1,250 or higher each year.

Reunion Gift OR	$\Box \{1^{st} Ask\}$	\Box {2 nd Ask}	\Box {3 rd Ask}	□ Other \$	
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STEP 2 | CHOOSE YOUR AREA TO SUPPORT

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Arts	Ľ
□ Athletics	Ľ
□Diversity, Equity and Inclusion	Ľ

- ☐ Faculty ☐ Financial Aid
- □ Technology
- \Box Where the need is the greatest



STEP 3 | YOUR INFORMATION

Name	Class Year	
Billing Address		
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City	State	Zip
Preferred Telephone	Preferred Email	

STEP 4 | CHOOSE YOUR PAYMENT METHOD

□ Enclosed is my check (Payable to Nichols School)

\Box Charge this card on: \Box AMEX	\Box Discover \Box Mastercard	🗆 Visa
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Card Number	Expiration Date	CVV
I have enclosed my employer's matching gift form.		
Anticipated employer match total:		
I have included Nichols in my will, trust or estate plan.		
I am interested in learning more about the AlliN Campaign.		

STEP 5 | DONOR SIGNATURE

Donor Signature

Date