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# The Off Shore Congratulations Graduates!

Congratulations on your achievements and White College as well as myself wish you the best in your life. Always look ahead and push on to bigger and better things. But don't forget the people who have been there for you because they will still be there for you in the end. The time may be over, but the memories that you have made, those last a lifetime.

## The Final Words from Dr. C

Dear Students,

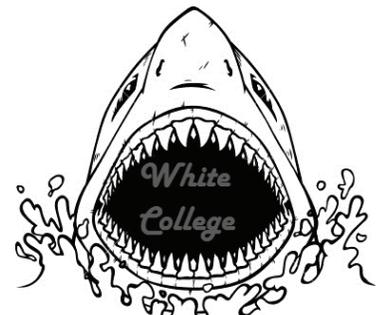
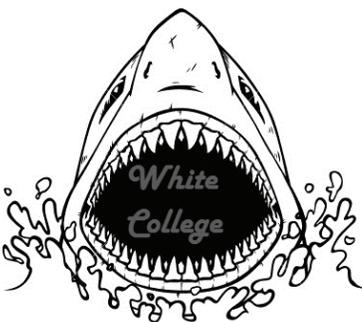
As you are aware, Dr. Corky Broughton has accepted the position of White College Head and I am returning full time to teaching.

I truly am humbled to have worked with you and I am so proud of the achievements that you have accomplished both in your major field and your own personal accomplishments.

I leave White College with great confidence in the RCC executive board, resident advisors, and first year leaders here, knowing that they are capable of overcoming any hurdles that will come up, singularly, and more importantly, together. We have managed to assemble a very competent and capable group of individuals who have demonstrated camaraderie and teamwork with outstanding record of contribution to White College residents. This provides me with a sense of pride and gratitude that is indescribable.

Good luck with your finals and best wishes for a successful future.

Regards,  
Dr. C



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## The First Words from Dr. Broughton

Dear White Residential College Residents and Commuters,

I wanted to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the incoming Residential College-Faculty Head. My name is Corky Broughton. As a faculty member of the Department of Wellness and Therapeutic Sciences I'm currently teaching Health and Recreation courses. As the incoming College-Head, I do not officially start my duties until "Great Beginnings" opening day of the Residential Colleges in August. Residential Colleges is not a new experience for me. In 1996, when the Residential Colleges at MSU was established, I was selected as the College-Head of Hart Residential College. I remained in that position until 2000 when I became the Chair of the Department of Wellness and Therapeutic Sciences. After eight years as chair, I was selected as Dean of the College of Health Sciences and Human Services. I remained in that capacity for four years and decided to return back to teaching full time this past academic year. One of the reasons for returning back to teaching from being in an administration position was the fact I missed not having interaction with students. When I heard that White College would have a College-Head opening starting in Fall 2012, I decided to apply for the position. After several interviews and being selected as the incoming College-Head, I have had the opportunity to attend a few of the White College activities/functions within the last few weeks. I would like to thank Dr. C., the RCC members and the RD/RA staff members for inviting me to the different functions and for making my visits very positive.

As the new College-Head, I feel that I'm very lucky to be able to step-in an already well-established Residential College. My goals as the new College-Head of White Residential College are:

- To foster a sense of group identity in which all White Residential College residents and commuters recognize each other as learners and future leaders;
- To develop connections among the various academic disciplines in order to encourage widespread student and faculty/staff interaction beyond traditional educational boundaries;
- To provide a variety of activities/programs that allows opportunities for all residents and commuters of White College to engage;
- To bring together faculty/staff and students of White Residential College curricular as well as in co-curricular experiences designed to foster continued personal growth; and
- To provide a living-learning environment and facility in which residents can come together to meet and engage in various metamorphosis learning activities.

To be an effective College-Head, I feel I must consistently review and confirm the following questions to ensure the benefits associated with the residential college concept. Through reviewing and evaluating these four questions, the RCC and I will be better prepared to provide the optimal living-learning environment that creates the community and collegiality experience residents deserve.

1. Significance or probability that students in White Residential College will receive a quantifiable educational and social benefit from a residential college greater than that of a conventional dorm setting?

2. What effect does the residential college have on students?
3. What effect does the various types of program interventions provided by the RCC and RA's have on the residential college resident outcome?
4. As College-Head, am I doing everything within my power to provide a living-learning environment conducive to nurturing good citizenship, ethical behavior, and enhancing academic excellence as well as success of the residents and commuters of White College.

In conclusion, I want all residents and commuters of White College to know I will have an open door policy as College-Head. I welcome all to come by and visit at their convenience. I anticipate attending as many of the various functions/programs held by the RCC/RA's and visiting as many of the residents on the floors as possible. I truly look forward to this experience and to get to know the residents/commuters.

Again, I would like to thank Dr. C., RCC members, RD/RA's and fellow White College residents that I have been able to meet for making this transition to College-Head a very positive interaction.

Take Care, Corky

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## Remembering 2011-2012

There have been some times during this past year when we are pushed to our limit and we see things that we did not wish to see.

Jake Derting was a great guy and a friend to many and loved by all who knew him. Remember him in his times of light and keep his spirit alive.

Kaytryn Parrish was a member of Gamma Xi here at Murray State University and a resident of White College. She was known and loved by many and will always be in the hearts and minds of the people she met and spent time with. Remember her.

I thought it would do well for a short remembrance of the two people who lost their lives for whatever the reason. Murray State has been there through it all and the people of White College and everywhere on campus are here to help should you need to seek someone out.

They may be gone but they are always watching over us. Many thoughts and prayers out to their families, friends and loved ones.

The year is over and finals are almost complete. For those of us who are freshmen congratulations! You've survived your first year of college! Enjoy the summer and relax because August will be here quicker than you know it. I wish all the best to each and every one of you and should you be traveling over break, be safe.

It has been a pleasure writing the off shore for the past few months and I am always open to suggestions and ideas for the next issue!

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