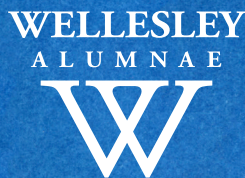


# WELLESLEY BLUE PRINT

# SIG REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE TOOLKIT



Dear SIG Regional Representative,

Thank you for the time, enthusiasm, hard work, patience, ideas, and sense of humor you contribute to this role in support of Wellesley. Your work to expand engagement with all alumnae is critical to our collective mission to support institutional priorities by connecting alumnae to the College and each other.

We are here to work with you to find potential solutions to any challenges you may face and to help you celebrate engagement of every kind.

This BLUEprint Toolkit is meant to serve as a launch pad and a reference point. You will find your role description and helpful tips, as well as links to resources that we will keep updated throughout the year. The toolkit gathers your resources into one starting point, but if you ever have a question, please always feel free to reach out to your key contact in the Alumnae Association. We are happy to help.

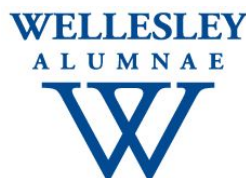
On the 5th of each month, we will send you our “Top 5 on the 5th” e-blast. This monthly update contains important pieces of information for all volunteers, messages we encourage you to share with your constituents, and a “High Five” feature of an alumnae group doing something great. You should be proud of the work you do and we want to share your successes with other volunteers! Please send us your stories and tips to help inspire our collective work.

Thank you for all that you do for Wellesley. We look forward to working with you to connect alumnae to the College and each other.

Best regards,



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# Wellesley College Alumnae Association Mission



*The mission of the Wellesley College Alumnae Association is to support the Institutional Priorities of Wellesley College by connecting alumnae to the College and to each other. The Association will serve as a lifelong resource to alumnae and will encourage alumnae to contribute to the continued excellence of the College.*

## Volunteer Tenets

All alumnae volunteers are guided by the Wellesley College Alumnae Association (WCAA) mission. We are always looking for alumnae interested in sharing their time, energy, and spirit as volunteers for Wellesley. The following tenets are designed to guide you in your volunteer role(s).

As a Wellesley volunteer, you agree to:

- Treat all alumnae and staff with respect and civility in person, in email, in print, and on social media.
- Commit to a role that suits your skills and capacity.
- Commit to being inclusive and address issues of diversity along numerous demographic lines (e.g., race, class, gender identity, sexual orientation, ethnicity, age, ability, religion, geography, etc.) in all facets of your volunteer work.
- Communicate regularly with alumnae volunteers and WCAA staff.
- Actively seek opportunities to engage new alumnae.
- Resolve any conflicts in a transparent and open manner.
- Acknowledge any potential conflicts of interest and recuse oneself when appropriate.
- Keep your contact information current at [alum.wellesley.edu](http://alum.wellesley.edu), including address, email, and phone number. As a volunteer, you must agree to be contacted by the WCAA or other alumnae via any of these channels.
- Recognize that your actions will reflect on and speak for not only you, but for other alumnae and the College.

## Role Responsibilities

The SIG regional representative communicates regularly with SIG alumnae in their region to let them know about SIG or SIG/club collaborative events, activities, or opportunities in their area.



As a leader of the SIG, regional representatives assume the following responsibilities:

- Reach out to alumnae clubs in your region to maintain communications so both SIGs and clubs know the events and activities in the area.
- With the programming VP, collaborate with clubs and explore sponsoring joint events.
- Try piloting new programs regionally and expanding them as there is interest.
- Ask for program interest and specific topics/ideas from your board or conduct a survey asking what type of events your SIG's constituency is interested in. If interest varies by region, plan accordingly.
- If you conduct a survey, don't forget to include an option for alumnae to volunteer, plan, or donate funds to defray costs for an event they suggest.
- Coordinate mailing/emailing of notices/newsletters to area alumnae inviting them to events in the region; you may share this responsibility with a newsletter or communications chair.
- After the event, be sure to share photos and quotes from alumnae who attended on your website, social media channels and with the WCAA.
- Represent the regional perspective to the larger SIG board.

# Resources and Contact Information

## Online Resources

Visit our [Online Resources](#) page for:

- [Technological Help Form](#): Request website help, member lists, labels for mailings, and help crafting emails on behalf of your class/club/SIG.
- [Event Sign-In Template](#): A printable sign-in sheet for events.
- [WCAA Email Information](#): An explanation of our email policy.
- [Online Directory](#): An alumnae directory that is searchable by class, location, career, employer, and much more.
- [Alumni Magnet \(website\) manual](#) and video tutorials.
- Much, much more!

## Conference Calls and Virtual Meetings

- Schedule a conference or video call via Zoom Meeting. Zoom is an easy, reliable cloud platform for video and audio conferencing, collaboration, and chat, across mobile devices, desktops, and telephones. Reach out to your key contact for login credentials to use the Alumnae Association's account for your group.

## WCAA Contact Information

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# WCAA Policies and Guidelines

## WCAA List and Email Policies

The Wellesley College Alumnae Association (WCAA) may provide class, club, and shared identity group (SIG) leaders with access to lists of their members upon request. These lists contain information useful to volunteer leaders for planning events, managing communications, and calculating metrics. The information shared in these lists is sensitive data and is provided at the discretion of the WCAA.

The WCAA is unable to include alumnae email data in these lists for many varied reasons, including but not limited to the following:

- The Wellesley College Alumnae Association is a 501(c)3 Nonprofit organization and therefore subject to privacy restrictions including the EU's General Data Protection Regulation and domestic anti-spam laws. All email communications on behalf of the WCAA and its umbrella organizations are legally mandated to provide an option for recipients to unsubscribe or opt-out of receiving future emails. Private mass emails do not allow direct unsubscription from Wellesley mail and therefore are not permitted. Platforms such as Paperless Post are not tied to the Wellesley database and any unsubscribe requests will not be captured for future communications.
- All broadcast emails to classmates, club members or SIG members should be sent through the WCAA's official website newsletter function, which is connected to the College's alumnae database.
  - The College's records database tracks updates, email accounts that send back mail as undeliverable, and unsubscribe requests. Changes are continuously being made.
  - This ensures that communications are sent to the most current email addresses.
  - For help sending emails, please submit a request [here](#).
  - Personal, one-on-one emails may be sent between alumnae.
- The WCAA offers online directories for all classes, clubs, and SIGs, as well as an all-alumnae general directory, which can be filtered by name, class, state, city, country, current or past employer, job title, or occupation. To access the general directory, please visit <https://www.alum.wellesley.edu/people.html>. To view your class, club, or SIG directory, please visit their respective websites.
  - Please note: while the online directories provide email addresses for many alumnae, compiling these addresses into a private list, or using them to send mass emails is strictly prohibited.

- Solicitation emails are not permitted under any circumstances, regardless of the number of recipients.
- The College and the WCAA aim to meet industry standards of our institutional peers, and we are committed to safeguarding alumnae information. You may [view our full privacy policy here](#).

While broadcast emails are a useful means of communicating with classmates and club/SIG members, they are just one means of contact. Many groups have had great success by varying their communications between email, print mailings, the HIVE, social media, Facebook groups, and in-person events. If you need help reaching a particular individual or group, please reach out to your WCAA staff contact for assistance.

It is the responsibility of each alum to provide the College with any changes in contact information to ensure they are listed correctly. Alumnae can report these changes to [recordupdates@wellesley.edu](mailto:recordupdates@wellesley.edu) or call our toll-free record updates number at **1.800.339.5233**. If you receive news about alumnae contact updates, please let us know.

### Charitable Donations

Each Wellesley class/club is a 501(c)(3), a non-profit organization, whose mission is to connect Wellesley alumnae to the College and to each other. Each class/club operates under the umbrella of the Wellesley College Alumnae Association and as such must operate in a manner that upholds the shared mission of the class/club and the WCAA so that both the class/club and the WCAA may maintain their legal standing as non-profits.

While community service can be a large part of a class/club's engagement, direct financial support of another charity is not permitted. All money collected by the class/club must be utilized to further the mission of the class/club, the WCAA, and Wellesley. In other words, funds raised and held in the class/club's bank account are to be used to connect alumnae to each other, the class/club, the WCAA, and the College or may be donated to the class/club's scholarship fund, if applicable, or as a gift to the College. Direct financial support of another 501(c)(3) is outside the class/club's mission, and therefore must not occur.

If you have any questions about a class/club's financial responsibilities, please contact [alumnae@wellesley.edu](mailto:alumnae@wellesley.edu).



## Non-Discrimination Policy

Each Wellesley class/club/SIG operates under the umbrella of the Wellesley College Alumnae Association and is closely associated with Wellesley College through the club/club/SIG's mission to connect Wellesley alumnae to the College and to each other. As such, each Wellesley class/club/SIG is expected to share Wellesley College's commitment to providing equal opportunity in employment and education to all employees, students, and applicants of Wellesley College. Wellesley College policy strictly prohibits discrimination or harassment on the basis of race, religion, color, sex/gender, age, ethnic or national origin or ancestry, veteran status, physical or mental disability, pregnancy, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, genetic information, veteran or military status, membership in Uniformed Services, or any category protected by applicable state and federal laws. Wellesley College is committed to making its programs and campus accessible and compliant with all applicable non-discrimination laws. Sexual harassment, including sexual violence, is a form of gender discrimination that is illegal and prohibited by College policy. Retaliation against any individual for making a complaint regarding this type of conduct or for participating in the investigation of such a complaint, is not tolerated.

If you have any questions about this non-discrimination policy, contact [alumnae@wellesley.edu](mailto:alumnae@wellesley.edu). You can also review the College's website for more information.

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