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Dear Blast from the Past Summer Camp Families,

I wish more than anything that we could have all been together this year in the galleries and on the grounds for West Baton Rouge Museum's 25th annual *Blast from the Past* summer history camp program. I have been so very lucky to have been a part of this program since the very first year in 1995. I look forward to working with our talented staff, amazing volunteers and incredibly awesome kids year after year. So, I will truly miss seeing everyone's faces this time around.

Blast from the Past summer history camp has become a tradition. Some kids participate from the time they turn six until the time they turn twelve. Some stay on after that and stay with the program as teen volunteers until they go off to college. For all the twelve year olds we've missed this summer, please consider coming back next year as a camper or a helper. Some former campers even return as adults. In one of the video links we have provided in this five days of camp activities to enjoy from home, you will meet Pam Collins Byrd. Her career as a teacher allows her a window of time to come back and volunteer. Not only that, her children are among the second generation coming to camp to build fond memories while engaging in activities that immerse them in local history and culture.

I hope this letter finds each of you well, and I hope this little lagniappe gift of five days of fun to enjoy from home will fill your days with a sense of adventure, creativity and a love of local history. I know it has helped lift the spirits of our staff during this unprecedented time in our lives to craft this different version of the program. Enjoy time as a family exploring this year's theme, "Made in Louisiana," and I sincerely wish in doing so, each of you will have a *Blast from the Past*!

Stay well my friends, and stay in touch. Be sure to check our website, www.westbatonrougemuseum.org and social media for small group workshops and events that we are currently offering or can cater on demand now that we are open to the public again at a limited capacity. If interested, please contact me at Luckett@wbrmuseum.org or at 225-336-2422 Ext. 205.

Sincerely,

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Director of Programs

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