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**Richard Bland College**  
*of WILLIAM & MARY*

**REPORT OF THE RBC STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE**  
**September 2019**

**Mr. Solomon Asare**

**RBC Welcomes New Students on Campus**

The first few days on campus following summer break were a whirlwind of activity and energy. I was busy helping students move into their dorms and volunteering at Welcome Week. Move-in day set the bar high, and every subsequent campus event exceeded all expectations. The freshmen, whether hailing from nearby cities to places as far away as China, displayed true excitement for coming to RBC.



### **Playfair Brings Students Together**

Playfair is one of RBC's most popular and widely-anticipated Welcome Week events every year. Students get to know one another through team-building activities that build an excitement and openness for students to meet someone new.



### **Pizza and Popsicles with the President**

Students expressed their hopes for the school year while eating pizza and popsicles with President Sydow in the Academic Courtyard.



### GSSP Hosts “Paint Your Culture”

RBC’s Global Student Success Program encouraged students to express what their culture means to them through painting on canvases.



### Women’s Soccer Makes RBC History

I was fortunate enough to witness Richard Bland history when the College played its first-ever women’s intercollegiate soccer game. It was exciting to watch the Statesmen defeat Southwest Virginia 12-0, and amazing to see first-year student-athlete Alexia Spencer score seven goals, while classmate Abegail Richardson scored five!



Women’s soccer players: Alexia Spencer (L), Abegail Richardson (R).

### It's "S'more" Fun at RBC

Residential students roasted marshmallows and make s'mores at a bonfire behind Statesman Hall as part of Welcome Week activities.



### Looking forward to a Great Year

If the first few weeks on campus are any indication of what lies ahead for the Richard Bland student community, I hope my subsequent reports will do justice to all of the phenomenal experiences — from the academically challenging to the socially and culturally engaging — that the College has to offer.

