December 2014

Dear Emory Parents and Families:

Welcome to the end of the semester! For most Emory students, that means completing papers, studying for finals, and returning to families for the break. If they return home, they may bring with them several loads of laundry and the need for a considerable amount of sleep! And more sleep! As students wind down from the semester, it may be a good time for them to reflect on the fall and determine what opportunities they want to experience in the upcoming months. This newsletter will contain information about student engagement opportunities around campus and within the Emory community.

In order to help families stay abreast of Emory happenings, a number of offices offer weekly or monthly newsletters where students and families can opt in by providing an email address. Those newsletters are featured under the topics noted throughout this newsletter. If you are interested, we hope you will take advantage of these opt-in newsletters. Look for future opt ins in subsequent newsletters.

As we complete the academic term, please know that the Division of Campus Life is grateful for the support you show our students and for giving us the opportunity to help them as they grow and develop throughout their collegiate years.

We also continue to appreciate any general questions, suggestions, or needs you may have. Please email family@emory.edu to contact us.

Hail the Gold & Blue!

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News Updates

It is our intent to communicate with families so that you can have conversations with your students about what is happening here at Emory. In November, the Division of Campus Life sent out an email regarding an alleged sexual assault that occurred on campus. Due to federal privacy laws, we are unable to provide information about the student conduct investigation. However, those involved are engaged in the process and will be informed of the outcomes. Recent updates from the Interfraternity Council regarding their efforts can be found online.

In addition, as we communicated in October, the acts of anti-Semitism that occurred at the Alpha Epsilon Pi Fraternity house on Sunday, October 5, are continuing to be investigated by the FBI. The university has concluded its investigation and found that Emory University students were involved in the incident. The Campus Life update can also be found online.

Over the past months, worldwide attention has been focused on the treatment of Ebola patients. Emory University Healthcare staff members have been leading those efforts. TIME magazine announced its "Person of the Year" for 2014, and Dr. Bruce Ribner of Emory Healthcare is one of the featured caregivers included in this honor. Read more about Dr. Bruce Ribner.

*Emory Report* serves as an informative, lively, and comprehensive resource for news and events of interest to staff and faculty. *Emory Report* highlights accomplishments, endeavors, and aspirations that reflect the university’s identity and strategic vision. If you would like to subscribe to the Report, you can opt in online.

Sports Roundup

Fall team sports wrapped up with some amazing results. Our Women’s Volleyball Team made it to the NCAA Division III Championship round held at Christopher Newport University in Virginia. After a challenging competition, the team lost to Hope College to finish in the runner-up spot. In addition, Division III NCAA records were set by the Emory swim team at the recent swimming invitational at Miami of Ohio.

To read about these accomplishments and to see when an Emory Eagles team may be competing near you, access the athletics website.

If you have interest in receiving the weekly athletic director's update, you can opt in here.
Student Engagement

Emory students develop a number of creative ways to engage with their community. Wonderful Wednesdays provide an opportunity for student organizations to showcase their programs and activities in the center of campus (most Wednesdays) between 11 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Many organizations bring their program to the community as demonstrated by the Emory Crew Team (pictured left), a club sport that brought rowing machines to engage students.

Sorority and fraternity membership is comprised of approximately 30-33% of the undergraduate student body. Many students participate in the recruitment processes of the organizations to see if it appeals to them. The mutual selection process for several groups occurs in January. Further information can be found online.

International students represent 17% of Emory's undergraduate population. The Office of International Student Life has a weekly newsletter that offers information on activities, programs, and resources. Opt in to receive the newsletter.

Don't forget about the programs and activities that are offered Friday and Saturday evenings and open to all students through Late Night @ Emory. Information about other Campus Life departments that offer outstanding resources can be found on the Campus Life website. There is also a weekly newsletter, which is distributed each Thursday during the semester. Opt in to receive the newsletter.

Healthy Campus/Flourish Emory

The Office of Health Promotion, one of the Emory University Student Health & Counseling Services departments, offers a number of resources for students to help them learn about and practice healthy behaviors. View these resources. Not every student has the time to take advantage of the all-you-can-eat menu options available at the Dobbs University Center. (Note: Photo shown is the tray of a current healthy junior in the College of Arts and Sciences). For students who want a grab-and-go soup, the newly opened Swoop's Soups fits their needs.
Career Center Corner

The Career Center staff members are busy assisting students with interview skills, scheduling companies for interviews, and helping students map out internships. Visit the Career Center website.

The current program guide is available online.

In addition to the university Career Center, the Goizueta Business School and the Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing also have career services to serve Emory students.

Learn more about the BBA Career Management Center.

Learn more about the Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing Career Services.

Gift Ideas

Whether for the holidays, end-of-semester celebration, birthdays or anniversaries, the Emory Bookstore and the Residence Hall Association (RHA) are resources for your gift-giving needs.

Access the Emory Bookstore online.

The Residence Hall Association (RHA) works with several vendors to provide services for students on campus. These vendors pay a portion of the proceeds they make from Emory sales back to RHA. RHA then uses that money to sponsor student programs and events enriching the Emory experience for your student. When you want to reach out to your student and show you care, consider a PiecesofThere care package!

2. Choose the care package you want, and proceed to check-out.
3. Use the coupon code "emoryparents" for 5% off!
This is a great way to show your student how proud you are while supporting the growing programs at Emory. Go Eagles!

Semester Break

The end of the fall semester is fast approaching, and many students may be traveling or choosing to stay in Atlanta. The Emory calendar can be accessed here and notes the dates for semester end and the beginning of spring semester.

Food options on campus are reduced during the breaks due to the smaller number of students who remain. Information about food service during closed dates can be found here and here.

We hope if your students are here over the breaks, they will take advantage of local attractions and enjoy a quieter campus. If they live on campus, we have staff available to assist them if they are in need. Safety-related contact information can be found online.

Important Dates

Exam Period: December 10-18

Fall 2014 Move-Out Deadline: December 18 at Noon

Spring 2015 Move-In: Begins January 11 at 10:00 a.m.

Questions: Answers to your questions may be on the Parent & Family Programs website. You can also contact us at family@emory.edu or 404.727.7190.