Dear Emory Parents and Families:

Hello, polar vortex (for those families throughout much of the U.S.)! Hope this finds you each warm and secure. November is a busy month for students, many of whom are in the midst of doing research and taking exams. Often times they may be so busy that they hesitate to contact their families. Please be aware that they are navigating challenging academics and balancing multiple activities.

In order to help families stay abreast of Emory happenings, a number of offices offer weekly or monthly newsletters that students and families can opt in to receive 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-in opportunities in subsequent newsletters.

Thanksgiving provides an opportunity to reflect and give thanks. 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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Thanksgiving and Semester Breaks
Thanksgiving and the semester break are approaching, and we know many students may be traveling or choosing to stay in Atlanta. The Emory calendar can be accessed here and notes the dates for closing of the semester 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.

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. Last week, the Division of Campus Life sent out an email regarding an alleged sexual assault that occurred on campus. All individuals and organizations involved are cooperating with the investigation, and multiple resources are available to assist all students in need. In addition, the FBI and the University are continuing their investigations into the acts of anti-Semitism that occurred at the Alpha Epsilon Pi Fraternity house on Sunday, October 5.

Around the University, a number of signature programs are happening in the next few weeks, including Unity Month and the start of fraternity and sorority recruitment.

Learn more about the Office of Multicultural Programs and Services.

View recent coverage of Unity Month.

Read about fraternity and sorority life at Emory.

Sports Roundup

It is that time of the semester for conference championships and playoffs. Our Emory Eagle teams have started out with an outstanding semester with all fall sports competing in postseason play. One of the means for providing sports updates is through a student video each week. View updates from this semester online. 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 the local community. Pawsitive Outreach is a student organization that assists area shelters and educates on animal welfare and adoptions. At a recent Wonderful Wednesday, students hosted a Petting Zoo (pictured left) where students, faculty and staff enjoyed giving attention to dogs and relieving a little stress as a result.

A recent addition to the campus has been a group called
Campus Karaoke. They can be found around Asbury Circle singing a variety of tunes with a variety of talent levels (pictured left).

**International Student Life:** International students represent 17% of Emory's undergraduate population. In Fall 2012, Campus Life opened an office that assists students with their transition to Emory and helps them engage and navigate the University and Atlanta communities. A weekly newsletter offers information on activities, programs, and resources. [Opt in to receive the newsletter.](#)

**Late Night @ Emory:** 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](#).

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**Healthy Campus/Flourish Emory**

The Office of Health Promotion offers many valuable programs and activities for students to explore health issues and learn how to practice healthy behaviors with a holistic approach. The Respect Program engages the entire Emory community in preventing and responding to sexual assault and relationship violence. Over the years, the Respect Program has put together a great web resource for family members of Emory students who want to know more about the issue or what to say to their students to support a survivor or engage in prevention efforts. [Read more about the Respect Program.](#)

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**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.

**Program highlights include:**

Jump Start for the Internship Search: November 20, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. at The Career Center

Career Center Program - Green Networking Night: November 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at Cox Hall Ballroom

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.](#)
Important Dates

Thanksgiving: November 26-28
Classes End: December 9
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.