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Dear Providence College Families,

Well, the countdown to the last day of classes is on and students will soon be preparing for final exams and heading for home. As the semester comes to a close, seniors are inching towards the finish line, and looking forward to engaging in an array of Senior Week activities, leading up to Commencement.

Congratulations to the families of our graduating seniors. Thank you for entrusting your students to us during the past four years. It has been a privilege to help them to grow and to thrive and become all they are called to be. They have truly been your gift to us. Fr. Mark Nowel, our Associate Provost for Academic Policy and Mission Support, has prepared a special prayer for our graduating seniors. You will find the prayer posted on the Parent/Family Blog at: https://parents.providence.edu/a-prayer-for-seniors/.

To the families of returning students, please remind your Friar that if they have questions during the summer they should contact the appropriate office. Academic issues can be referred to the Student Success Center. Also, please know that according to the Office of Residence Life, there tends to be a lot of movement in housing over the summer and they invite students to contact their office for assistance if they have concerns or are still looking at housing options.

This month I am launching a new project called "Experienced Voices." It provides an opportunity for current families of PC students to share your advice for families of incoming students of the class of 2028. Basically, I am looking for your insights and words of wisdom about what families need to know as to how they can support their students during the first year of college. We will compile the responses and make them available to new families during the summer and throughout the academic year.

To share your "Experienced Voice" I invite you to fill out this brief form: <u>https://providence.tfaforms.net/743</u>.

This email provides information regarding some end of the year dates, deadlines, and campus events. If you have questions regarding any of the programs or activities contained in this message, please contact the specific office involved. Additionally, this "<u>Ask A Question</u>" link provides a quick and easy way for me to respond to your questions, within a day or two of receiving them.

I wish you all a safe, fun, and productive summer.

God bless. Jackie

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Chinese (Traditional)/中文(繁體中文: <u>請點擊此處獲取更多中文(繁體中文)信息。</u>

*COMMENCEMENT 2024

Undergraduate Commencement Exercises--Sunday, May 19, 2024. Your students picked up their academic attire, tickets, and other important Commencement information at Cap and Gown Day, Wednesday, April 10. All updates to Commencement information, a full schedule of events and both the Student and Parents/Families Guide to Commencement, are available on our website: https://commencement.providence.edu/

Graduate Programs and School of Continuing Education Commencement Exercises--Friday,

May 17, 2024. School of Continuing Education students will receive their tickets and attire directly from the SCE office. Graduate program students will be able to pick up all caps and gowns on Tuesday, May 7 and Wednesday, May 8, 2024, from 3:00– 6:30 p.m. in Harkins Hall, Welcome Room 112.

All updates to Commencement information, and a full schedule of events, are available on our website: <u>https://commencement.providence.edu/</u>

*SENIOR YEARBOOK PARENT ADS

Parents and Families of the Class of 2024 Seniors: If you would like to purchase a recognition ad in the yearbook, the **parent ad** site is up and live through **5/1/2024**. Place a photo (or photos) along with your written tribute and choose a design layout option to best represent your graduate. Here's the weblink to PC's custom site (Click on "Yearbook Ads") https://www.jostens.com/apps/jcom/router.mvc?affiliateId=1043117

*RESIDENCE LIFE

Move Out Spring 2024: Non-graduating students who are not approved for Commencement Week Housing are expected to move out of their residence halls 24 hours after their last final or by 7pm on Friday, May 10th, whichever comes first. Students looking for summer storage options, may want to consider the <u>UPS Store</u>. UPS representatives will come to campus to pick up items you wish to put in storage or ship them to your home. If you utilize the storage option, they will deliver your items back to campus prior to the start of classes. More information is available on our <u>website</u>.

Move In Fall 2024: All students returning to Providence College are scheduled to move onto campus Monday, September 2, 2024, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Classes begin on Tuesday, September 3rd. The Office of Residence Life & Housing will allow a limited number of students to voluntarily arrive on Sunday, September 1st. An application will be available beginning June 1st to request arrival on Sunday, September 1st. Priority will be given to students living an extreme distance from the College (250 miles or greater). This application will close once we have reached capacity for move-in on that day. We do not anticipate being able to accommodate early arrival prior to Sunday, September 1st with the exception of international students and approved student groups (i.e., preseason athletes, resident assistants, orientation leaders, etc.), so please plan accordingly. More information is available on the <u>residence life</u> website.

Summer Housing: Students participating in an on-campus job, in-person summer courses, faculty mentored research, and academic internships may be eligible for on-campus summer housing. Students can apply through their eRezLife accounts. For more information, please visit the <u>Summer Housing section</u> of our website

*STUDENT HEALTH

Unfortunately, there are still a number of students in the Class of 2027 who have not submitted the college required health forms. To avoid disciplinary action, please be sure your student has completed their health history, answered the TB questionnaire, and uploaded all immunizations as required by the Rhode Island Department of Health prior to May 1, 2024. <u>More information is available on the Health Center's Immunization website</u>.

***THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID**

We have extended the deadline for FAFSA only until May 1st! The deadline for CSS Profile passed on April 15th. Parents who have proxy access to CyberFriar can log in and confirm receipt. We anticipate releasing renewal information mid-summer.

Also, something exciting is coming! The Office of Financial Aid will be utilizing a new portal for all things aid-related. We will send out more information soon, so please keep an eye out! Continue to monitor our social media channels (Facebook and Instagram) for updates.

*END OF YEAR SHUTTLE

The 2024 End of Year Shuttle sign-up is back and now available! Capacity is limited and on a first come, first serve bases.

The shuttles will be available on:

• Wednesday, May 8^{th,} Thursday, May 9thFriday, May 10th

The Transportation Office will be running shuttles to:

- TF Green Airport
- Amtrak/MBTA Station in downtown Providence
- Peter Pan Bus Terminal (1 Peter Pan Way, Providence, RI 02904)

The Airport shuttle will run every 60 minutes from 8:00am – 3:00pm while the Amtrak/Peter Pan Bus shuttles will run every 30 minutes from 8:00am – 4:00pm.

<u>Students should check their email for a link to the sign-up form and instructions.</u> Capacity is limited and is on a first come, first serve basis.

Students are allowed to bring one suitcase and backpack on the shuttle. If students bring additional suitcases, they will not be permitted to ride the shuttle and will need to find another method of transportation.

The shuttle will pick students up at the backside of Raymond Hall on Donnelly Drive, across from the Raymond Lot. Students must arrive 15 minutes before their scheduled reservation.

Students will receive an email from the Transportation Office approximately 3 – 5 days after a request has been submitted, to confirm their reservation. If a student doesn't receive a confirmation email, then the request is not approved.

*STUDENT EVENTS – THE SAIL OFFICE

Spring has finally sprung here on campus and the Slavin Lawn is filled with students enjoying the sun. For those of us who work in the Slavin Center it's a joy to see the students on the lawn and studying around the building. We have a lot of events jam packed into the last few weeks to end the semester.

- BOP's Annual Clam Jam Saturday, April 27th it's Olympics themed! There will be inflatables, food trucks, ice cream, & many giveaways on Slavin Lawn.
- Done with Civ The Class of 2026 will celebrate the last few days studying Development of Western Civilization with food trucks, t-shirts, and t-shirt.
- Study Breaks Sunday, May 5th Thursday, May 9th in McPhail's at 8pm during finals week. There will also be snacks available in Slavin Center during the day to help keep everyone's energy up while studying and writing final papers.

For the Class of 2024:

- Done with College The Class of 2024 will celebrate their last day in Undergraduate classes with music, food, and lawn games.
- Senior Week Monday, May 13th Thursday, May 16th Seniors will celebrate their final days together before graduation. Activities include:
 - Monday "It's 5 o'clock Somewhere" 4pm-6pm Slavin Lawn
 - Tuesday Red Sox vs. Tampa Bay Rays 7:10pm Game Celebrating the Class of 2024
 Free T-Shirt and Bobble Head
 - Wednesday "Mimosas & Memories Garden Brunch" 11:30am-2pm on Ryan Lawn
 - Thursday- Foxwood! Shrine Night Club at 8pm with DJ and Food

*SHUTTLE SERVICE

As the semester draws to a close, the Friar Night Shuttle and the Shopping Shuttle will be ending as well. Here are the final dates for both transportation routes:

- Friar Nite Ride Shuttles (7pm-3am): Thursday 5/2, Friday 5/3, Saturday 5/4
- Shopping Shuttle (12pm-6pm): Friday 5/3, Saturday 5/4, Sunday 5/5

*CHIRICO CAREER CENTER

As the semester starts to wind down, the Chirico Career Center would like to highlight resources available to your student during the summer. We have a wide range of <u>online</u> <u>resources</u> students can utilize to help them make meaningful steps toward their career goals, including:

- Career & Strengths Exploration: Focus2, What Can I do with This Major, CliftonStrengths
- Resume Writing: Vmock
- Networking: FriarLink
- Microsoft Certifications: This summer we are offering certification classes in MS Word, PowerPoint, Outlook, and Excel! Students can log on to <u>Handshake</u> and search by "MICROSFOFT" for a list of classes.

If your student is looking to get started on their career goals or needs guidance for accomplishing the goals they already have, our career coaches are available to meet in-person or virtually during the summer. Students can schedule an appointment with a career coach on <u>Handshake</u>.

***STUDENT LEADERSHIP RECOGNITION**

On Wednesday, April 17th, the Division of Student Affairs held our annual Student Leadership Recognition Night. This is an opportunity to recognize the tremendous efforts of student leaders throughout the 2023-2024 academic year. This year, we had over 150 students who were celebrated. <u>Click here for a list of winners</u>!

*HOMECOMING 2024

Mark your calendar and get excited to come home to Friartown this fall for <u>Homecoming 2024</u>! Open to all members of the Friar community, this year's festivities will take place **Friday**, **October 18 – Sunday, October 20**.

Check the <u>Homecoming site</u> for details on the exciting lineup of events like the Friar 5K, Late Night Madness, family-friendly programs, alumni social gatherings, and more. Stay tuned for more information coming soon for this signature weekend!

*IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BURSAR

Payment Policy: Outstanding indebtedness to the College will result in a financial hold being placed on a student's account. This prevents a student from registering, receiving a degree, grade reports, transcript, or letter of recommendation. Seniors with outstanding indebtedness could jeopardize their ability to take part in commencement activities.

Financial holds have been placed on accounts with outstanding balances and students have been notified by email. If you have been set up as an authorized user by your student, you may review the student account information at <u>https://commerce.cashnet.com/pcepay</u>.

If you are not set up as an authorized user, which is NOT the same as having Proxy access, please have your student set you up to view bills, tax forms, and make electronic check payments.

The student needs to:

- Log into CyberFriar.
- Click on Student Services
- Click on Bursars' Office NEW
- Go to "Do you want help paying?" in the middle of the page
- Select "Send a payer invitation"
- o Enter the authorized user's first and last names and e-mail address
- Authorized Users (Parent/Guardian):
 - Once your account is established by your student you will receive an email with a link to the website.
 - Log in at: <u>https://commerce.cashnet.com/pcepay</u>