



**Dear Parents and Families of Providence College Students,**

I hope that your summer has been going well. It is hard to believe that August is here and that your student will soon be returning to PC to begin a new academic year.

As director of the Providence College Parent & Family Program, I can tell you that our PC community is filled with excitement as we get ready for the fall semester. We can't wait for the campus to become alive again, as soon students will be moving in, connecting with peers, attending classes, and engaged in lots of back-to-school activities.

This email provides important information for families as your students get ready for the fall semester. Please take some time to share the content with your Friar, as well. If you have questions regarding any of the content contained in this message, please contact the specific office involved. Additionally, this "[Ask A Question](#)" link provides a quick and easy way for me to respond to your questions, within a few days of receiving them.

Enjoy the rest of your summer.

God bless.

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### **\*OFFICE OF RESIDENCE LIFE AND HOUSING – FALL MOVE-IN**

All students returning to Providence College are scheduled to move onto campus Monday, September 1, 2025 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. ([specific schedule is determined by residence hall and available here](#)). The Office of Residence Life & Housing will allow a **limited number of students to voluntarily arrive on Sunday, August 31**. Students must request to arrive on Sunday by completing a Sunday 8/31 Early Arrival Intention Form available on the left hand side of their [eRezLife account](#). This form will be open on a first come first serve basis and will close once we have reached capacity for Sunday move in. Students who live an extreme distance (250 miles or greater) will be given first priority. **Please do not have your students arrive outside their scheduled move-in day as we may not have staff available to accommodate them.** [Please see our website for more detailed information](#).

### **UPS Ship Ahead Program**

Students who wish to have items shipped to their residence hall room have the option to utilize the UPS Ship Ahead Program which allows you to have items shipped to the local UPS store and then delivered directly to your room before you move in. All packages must be received by the UPS Store by August 15, 2025 to arrive in time for Fall Move In Days. More information is available on our [website](#).

### **Meal Plans**

Students can view their meal plans for the Fall 2025 semester on their student accounts in Cyberfriar. If you do not see a meal plan listed on your student's account statement, they do not have a meal plan for the Fall 2025 semester. Students can request to add or change their meal plans until September 12, 2025 at 4:30pm by completing a Fall 2025 Meal Plan Change Request available on the left hand side of their [eRezLife account](#). The student account will update on Cyberfriar within one-two business days after the request is processed. Please remember residence halls have [minimum meal plan requirements](#) and the Office of Residence Life is unable to make adjustments to meal plans below the minimum required.

### **REQUIRED HEALTH RECORDS – RETURNING STUDENTS & CLUB SPORT ATHLETES**

Providence College is required by law to keep certain medical information on file for all full-time students. Students need to submit the information only once, before their first year. There are a number of returning students who did not comply with this requirement during their freshmen year. **These students MUST submit their health records by AUGUST 15th in order to move onto campus for the fall semester. Additionally, anyone wishing to try out for and/or participate with our club sport teams MUST have this required medical information submitted in order to participate in a Club Sport tryout or practice.** Students without this information on file will be ineligible to participate in Club Sports. Exceptions will not be made for students who realize they are missing medical information on the first day of tryouts/practices.

Students with outstanding health records have been notified via email – students should search their email for a message with subject line “Incomplete Health Forms” to determine if they have outstanding health record information.

### **\*OFFICE OF TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING**

As you and your student prepare for the upcoming academic year, we'd like to remind you of the transportation options available and important guidelines regarding personal vehicles. Our campus shuttle services offer convenient, reliable transportation to key locations around campus and surrounding areas. Shuttle services available when classes are in session include:

- Students with mobility issues may request the **Medical Shuttle** for transport on campus by calling (401) 865-1166 (x1166 from a campus telephone).
- The **Friar Nite Shuttle** is available when classes are in session, Thursday through Saturday, 7:00 pm – 3:00 am, making a continuous loop through the Providence College campus and nearby streets. Students can view the map [here](#).
- The **Shopping Shuttle** operates Friday through Sunday, noon to 6:00 pm, starting at the Concannon Circle, to Shaw's Supermarket, Providence Place Mall, Thayer Street and Trader Joe's at the top of each hour.

Students must show a valid PC Card to board the shuttles and may track the Friar Nite and Shopping Shuttles by [downloading Passio GO!](#) We strongly encourage students to take advantage of these services, as there is limited parking on campus.

**Please note that students should not bring a personal vehicle to campus unless they have received prior approval from the Transportation Office.** Due to limited parking availability, any unauthorized vehicles may be subject to citations or towing. Requests for parking must be made in advance through the appropriate approval process.

We appreciate your cooperation and commitment to helping us maintain a safe and accessible campus environment. [For more information, please visit our website.](#)

### **\*PROXY ACCESS—THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR**

Please note that due to a software upgrade any students who granted proxy access prior to 7/1/25 will need to log into CyberFriar to re-authorize proxy permissions to their academic and/or financial aid information. A communication informing students of this will be sent shortly.

First-time users must be given [proxy access](#) by their students and will receive an automated email with login information. Returning users should bookmark this [link](#) for the proxy access login page. Questions may be directed to the Office of the Registrar at (401) 865-1033.

### **\*OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID**

#### **Email Reminder**

Make sure your students are regularly checking their email. All specific and action-oriented communications, including important updates and deadlines, are sent directly to students. While we may send general communications to parents throughout the year, personalized information will only go to the student's PC issued email address. We encourage students to frequently check their emails so their financial aid package can be processed smoothly and on time.

**TORCH Portal:** The TORCH portal is comprised of [Student Forms](#), [Scholarship Universe](#) and [CyberFriar](#). These platforms are the students' go-to for managing their financial aid! Here, they can monitor their checklist, securely submit documents, and review all of their financial aid tasks. Since it's protected by the College's single sign-on, only they can access this information.

**Stay Connected to Your Student's Financial Aid:** While parents can't directly access TORCH, students can grant [proxy access](#) to their CyberFriar account. This site allows proxy users to monitor for outstanding tasks (though document uploads are not permitted). It also provides a summary of your student's Cost of Attendance (including both direct and indirect expenses) and a breakdown of their current financial aid resources

**Direct Loans- Accept or Decline:** Students have started receiving emails about their Direct Loans. To accept the loan, the student should log in to [Federal Student Aid](#) and complete both a Master Promissory Note (MPN) and Entrance Counseling. If they wish to decline the loan, simply fill out a [loan change form](#).

**Additional Loan Options:** Parents, if you're considering a loan to help pay the bill, options include the [Federal Parent PLUS loan](#) or lenders from our [Suggested Lender](#) list in Elm Select. Instead of waiting for each semester's bill and applying for two loans, we recommend securing a loan for the full academic year.

**On-Campus Employment:** Students interested in on-campus jobs will receive more information via email in late August about our hiring platform called [FriarHub](#). It's a good idea to review the [onboarding paperwork](#) now, as it requires original documents your student may need to bring to campus if they get a job.

Please call 401-865-2286 or email [finaid@providence.edu](mailto:finaid@providence.edu) with any questions or concerns.

#### **\*IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE BURSAR'S OFFICE**

FALL 2025 BILLS WERE PUBLISHED ON July 14th and are **DUE BY AUGUST 15, 2025**

Your student may view the Fall 2025 billing statement in the Bursar section of Cyber Friar This is the place where they can also set you up to be an authorized user to receive emails when bills are published and giving you the ability to make payment online.

**Cashnet Access for Parents/Guardians:** E-mails are sent to students at their Friar e-mail accounts when an e-bill is published. Parents and guardians can also receive the e-bill notifications and make online payments via CashNet with an authorized user account created by the student. Students can reset a parent PIN on this site as well.

For more information please visit: <https://bursar.providence.edu/undergraduate-students/faq/>.

#### **\*CENTER FOR GLOBAL EDUCATION**

**Class of 2028:** Students still have time to apply for [CIV in London](#) for Spring 2026 and should do so ASAP. While in London, students will complete DWC 202 and are required to at least one of the following:

- HIS 205: Public History & Memory in the UK and Beyond (Professor Johnson) – Civic Engagement Proficiency
- ENG 232: Survey of British Literature II (Professor Moffett) – Writing II Proficiency

Students will take their additional courses at the IES Study Center in central London or a local university.

For students planning to study abroad during the 2026-27 academic year, the annual **Study Abroad Fair** will take place on Monday, 9/22 from 6 to 8 PM in Slavin '64 Hall. Representatives from PC's approved study abroad programs will be present to speak with students about their program options. Students in the Class of 2028 are highly encouraged to attend. Applications for study abroad 2026-27 will open after the Fair and are due on December 1.

We will host some sessions for parents via Zoom during the fall semester to share information about the study abroad process. More details to follow.

**Class of 2027:** Safe travels to all those who are studying abroad this fall semester! Additional communication and guidance will be sent to students soon. Students should make sure they complete their remaining tasks and documents for their study abroad programs as soon as possible.

In the coming days we will also be sending updates to Spring semester study abroad students. Pre-departure Orientation will take place towards the end of the semester. In addition to in person session, a session on Zoom will also be offered for parents.

Spring semester students will need to apply for a student visa in the fall semester. If your student's program offers a group or batch visa application process, we highly recommend that students take advantage of this. Otherwise, they will have to apply for a visa on their own. In most instances (group or individual process), students will need to submit their physical passport to the Consulate for visa processing, which can take 6 to 8 weeks. Students will not be able to travel internationally during this time. Also, please note that the visa process varies from country to country.

**Class of 2026:** Welcome back to students who studied abroad in the spring semester! The Center for Global Education is processing spring semester study abroad transcripts as quickly as possible. If your student has an outstanding bill with their program, please make sure this is paid, as their program will not release a student's transcript until all bills are paid. Questions regarding any billing issues should be directed to the student's program. Once the semester begins, we will provide information about events and activities for students who have returned from study abroad.

#### **\*PERSONAL COUNSELING CENTER**

The Personal Counseling Center's services are free and available to all full-time enrolled PC undergraduate students. We are located in Lower Bedford Hall and open Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM.

Counseling services are private and confidential and can be accessed by calling our center (401-865-2343) to set up an intake appointment. After an initial intake appointment, students are matched with one of our counselors for the remainder of their follow-up sessions. We also offer group counseling options; a relaxation room, and drop-in hours with Finnegan, a Bernese Mountain Dog and credentialed pet assisted therapy team member with our Executive Director Dr. Rosemary Mugan. We can consult with parents and family members about any concerns they may have for their students or provide information about our services, however students need to call themselves to make an appointment. Please visit our website to access information about our services and other resources at <https://personal-counseling.providence.edu/>.

#### **\*THE OFFICE OF STUDENT ENGAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP—FALL EVENTS**

**It's never too late to...GET INVOLVED!** The Fall Involvement Fair will be Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup> 4:30pm – 6:00pm on Slavin Lawn! It's never too late to join a club or organization, so everyone is welcome to meet the over 120+ clubs and organizations that PC has to offer! Find out how to join, when they meet, and what they do!

**Welcome Back Weekend September 5<sup>th</sup> – September 7<sup>th</sup>** – We have a lot planned for Welcome Back Weekend...Slavin Under the Stars, PC Block Party, Slavin Night Live, Class of 2029 Hall Olympics and so much more!

**Class of 2026 Senior Ring Weekend will be Friday, October 24 - Sunday, October 26- Save the date!** More details will be announced soon! Please follow @pcsrw2026 on Instagram for SRW information & final Ring Sales information.

#### **\*HOMECOMING 2025**

Parents and families are invited to celebrate PC's signature fall weekend at [Homecoming Weekend](#), coming Friday, Oct. 3 – Sunday, Oct. 5. Open to all members of the Friar community with highlights like the Friar 5K, Late Night Madness, a community Mass and family-friendly fun all weekend long. There's something for everyone to enjoy. Stay tuned for more information and updates. Registration will start in late-August.