

# **Dear Providence College Families,**

Happy New Year! I hope you all had some extra time to spend with your students during the break. As we approach the end of the second week of classes, most of us are back into our daily routines. Of course, a new semester brings lots of changes for students, so please encourage them to reach out if they need some extra help during this adjustment process. For students looking to widen their social network and broaden their campus involvement, remind them to check their "Morning Mail" for specific information about events and activities scheduled during the week.

So far, we have not had much snow, but we have had some brutally cold days, for sure. It's especially important for students to take some special precautions to stay safe and healthy during this time of year. Towards this effort, for our Parent/Family blog this month, Catherine Kelleher, RN, Executive Director of the Student Health Center, provides some recommendations that I hope you will share with your students. Please visit: <a href="https://parents.providence.edu/keeping-our-students-healthy-during-cold-and-flu-season/">https://parents.providence.edu/keeping-our-students-healthy-during-cold-and-flu-season/</a>.

Each January Providence College honors Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and his efforts to create a *Beloved Community*. A host of events provide an opportunity for us to come together to honor his life and accomplishments. In 2018, the College established the MLK Vision Award. This annual award honors "individuals or groups who exemplify Dr. King's teachings and spirit." I am proud to say that my husband, a former PC faculty member and administrator, and co-founder of the MLK Scholarship Program, was a recipient of the first Vision Award. I invite you to learn about the 2025 award recipients at: <a href="https://college-events.providence.edu/mlk-celebration/vision-awards/">https://college-events.providence.edu/mlk-celebration/vision-awards/</a>.

This email provides information regarding important dates, deadlines, and campus resources. If you have questions regarding any of the programs or events 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.

God bless.

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# \*THE OFICE OF FINANCIAL AID

Both the 2025-2026 CSS Profile and FAFSA are open! You will use information from your 2023 taxes on both of these applications. Returning students must complete these applications no later than April 15<sup>th</sup>, but we encourage students to submit both applications before this deadline.

Please also encourage your students to create their <u>Student Forms</u> account through the <u>TORCH</u> <u>Portal</u>. Once they create an account, students will receive text and email updates when we request any documentation and can submit directly through this portal!

Be sure to follow our Facebook (pcfinaid) and Instagram (@provcollegefinaid) pages for any important announcements and reminders!

### \*FLU & COVID-19 BOOSTER SHOT CLINIC

There will be a FLU and COVID-19 Booster Shot Clinic for all faculty, staff, and students on Tuesday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, from 12:00pm-4:00pm in Slavin '64 Hall. Online registration is required. Students are asked to bring their insurance card (or a picture of the card) to the clinic. Registration information will be sent to students in the "Morning Mail."

### \*BURSAR'S OFFICE

All Spring 2025 bills were due by 12/15/24.

1098T's will be published and will be available for viewing before 1/31/25.

Providence College does not mail a printed copy of the 1098T. Students and parents that are set up as authorized users receive an email that the 1098T is available for viewing.

Please note that students must provide additional access for Authorized Users to view 1098T's. This selection is under the Parent Pin Section found in the Bursar area of your Cyberfriar account.

Student can access their 1098T and set up an authorized user by logging into Cyberfriar at: <a href="http://cyberfriar.providence.edu">http://cyberfriar.providence.edu</a>. If you are a Parent or Guardian set up as an authorized user you can access the 1098T by logging in to: <a href="https://commerce.cashnet.com/pcepay">https://commerce.cashnet.com/pcepay</a>

If clicking the link does not work, please copy and paste the information into your browser. If you have problems with your password, please copy and paste it from the email that was sent to you with your username and password.

### \*2025-2026 HOUSING INFORMATION

The housing selection process will soon begin for students living on campus for the 2025-2026 academic year. As a reminder all Class of 2028 and 2027 students must reside on campus or be approved for Commuter Status (commuting from the home of a parent or guardian).

Class of 2027 students may request permission from the Office of Residence Life to reside off campus for their junior year. More information about this process is <u>available here</u>. Please note, the priority deadline to submit an application to live off campus is March 1, 2025. Students should not sign leases unless they have been approved for off campus living by the Office of Residence Life & Housing.

Class of 2026 students must complete their Senior Housing Intention Form in eRezLife indicating whether they plan to live off campus, commute, or live on campus.

Housing applications will be available on February 5<sup>th</sup> for all students. For general information on the housing selection process, please visit our <u>website</u>. This website will be updated with more information on February 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### \*THE SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES—CIV in LONDON

The members of the School of Arts & Sciences Dean's Office want to extend a warm welcome back to all PC Students. If your student will be a sophomore next year, consider the unique study abroad opportunity that is **CIV in London**. Students can satisfy their 4<sup>th</sup>-semester DWC requirement along with other requirements while gaining invaluable experience of this world-historical city.

Next year's program (Spring 2026) will be led by <u>Dr. Jeff Johnson</u> of the History Department and <u>Dr. Alex Moffett</u> of the English Department. Interested students should contact these faculty leaders directly. More information about the program can be found here: <a href="https://global-new.missingle.com/https://global-new.miss

<u>education.providence.edu/civ-in-london/</u>. The deadline for freshmen to apply for Spring 2026 is **March 31, 2025.** 

#### \*SENIOR YEARBOOK PHOTOS

Parents of the Class of 2025 Seniors: Yearbook photographers will be on campus to take senior year portraits for the 2025 yearbook on 2/3, 2/4, 2/5, 2/7, 2/25, 2/26, and 2/27. Students can schedule an appointment for themselves at: <a href="https://seniors.legacystudios.com/providence-college-ri/">https://seniors.legacystudios.com/providence-college-ri/</a>.

There will be a \$20.00 sitting fee which will be refunded or applied to order. More information will follow in the coming months about how to purchase copies of portrait photos as well as ordering additional copies of the yearbook. Seniors do not need to order the yearbook; they will receive a copy of the yearbook in the fall of 2025. Please email Susan McCauley (smccaule@providence.edu) with any yearbook questions.

## \*COMMENCEMENT –CLASS OF 2025

# Sunday, May 18, 2025

A "Guide to Commencement" was emailed to students and families last week before the holiday break.

Emails with information regarding Cap and Gown Day, scheduled for April 9, 2025, and ordering information have been sent to all members of the class of 2025. Undergraduates in the class of 2025 will continue to receive emails with information on how to order their attire for Commencement and other helpful information. Please remind your students to order their cap and gown. **The deadline is March 5, 2025.** 

All updates to Commencement information, including both the Student and Parent/Family Guides to Commencement, are available on our website at: <a href="https://commencement.providence.edu/">https://commencement.providence.edu/</a>.

# \*CHIRICO CAREER CENTER

The Chirico Career Center is hosting a variety of events this spring designed to help students explore a wide range of career fields. These events are open to all years and majors and will provide valuable insights, resources, and networking opportunities to guide students as they plan for their future. Events include, The Masked Major 3, Careers In... Law & Government, Careers In... Science, The Big East Sports & Entertainment Networking Event, The Spring Career EXPO and much more! Encourage your student to attend and take advantage of these great opportunities. Students can find the full list of our spring events on FriarHub.

#### \*PROVIDENCE COLLEGE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Remind your students to check out our website at <a href="https://business.providence.edu/">https://business.providence.edu/</a>. This is a great place for information on PCSB undergraduate policies, resources, and upcoming events.

#### \*STUDENT SHUTTLE SERVICES

Providence College students may utilize the Friar Nite and Shopping Shuttles during the regular academic year. Both shuttles provide a continuous route, either on-campus or off-campus, and can be tracked using the **Passio GO!** app. **Passio GO!** allows riders to set up arrival alerts, tag favorites, and reduce wait times at stops. Riders can also set up additional alerts for route changes or delays to stay informed. Learn more about our shuttle services, hours of operation, and view the map here.

If you have any questions, please contact the Transportation Office at <a href="mailto:transportation@providence.edu">transportation@providence.edu</a> or (401) 865-2234.

### \*RESIDENCE HALL CLOSINGS

The residence halls will be closed **Friday**, **March 7 at 7 pm – Sunday**, **March 16**<sup>th</sup> **at 12 pm** for Spring Break. Additionally, the residence halls will be closed **Wednesday**, **April 16 at 7 pm – Monday**, **April 21 at 12 pm** for Easter Break. Students needing to remain in their residence halls over one or both of these breaks, can submit an application beginning in February on their eRezLife accounts.

## \*LIFE AFTER FRIARTOWN

The Office of Student Engagement and Leadership invites students to participate in the annual "Life After Friartown" series, focused on prepping for and making the most of post-college life! Session Topics Include: How to Mindfully Mealprep (Ray Dining Staff); How to Figure Out What I'm Doing After College (Chirico Career Center); How to Make the Most of Life After College (PC Alums and the Alumni Relations Office); How to Make the Most Out of Networking (Chirico Career Center and McPhail's). Students who attend sessions will be entered into a raffle to win 1 of 3 senior week tickets, which will be drawn at the end of the series. Students will receive more info via Morning Mail, email, and can register on PC Central.

#### \*STUDENT EVENTS

- On Saturday, Jan 25<sup>th</sup>, students are invited to join us for the Biggest Game Watch Party in Mullaney Gym at 12:30pm. The Friar's Men's Basketball team will match up against Georgetown. Get AMP'd up on campus with a 32-foot screen to watch the game...free tshirts for the first 200 students, free food, and Friar gear raffles during commercial breaks. Big Game equals Big Game Watch Party! Last year we had over 350 students in attendance!
- On Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup> at 8:30pm we are holding the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual MLK Student Gala in Moore Hall. The event is semi-formal and free for all students to attend. There will be a DJ, food, 360 Photobooth and much more!
- The spring semester is always filled with fun events with the hope of warm weather coming, but the Spring Semester is also a time where clubs and organizations hold elections and accept applications for their leadership roles for next year. Most groups with application processes hold Coffee Houses/Info Sessions to learn more about the group and the application process. These groups include the Friars Club, Board of Programmers (BOP), Student Congress, BMSA, Urban Action, etc. Have your students keep an eye out for these dates on PC Central and the table tents in the dining hall.

• The Black & White Ball will be held on Friday, February 21<sup>st</sup> from 7pm-10pm! Ticket sales will be opening soon. The Black & White Ball is an all-class dance that was started in 2017 during PC's centennial year. The Board of Programmers (BOP) has continued the tradition. BOP picks a theme and works with a designer to transform the Peterson Recreation Fieldhouse into a night of dancing and making memories. Have your students follow BOP on Instagram @pcbop for updates on the event.