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SAVE THE DATE! Family Weekend 2016

This year's Family Weekend will take place October 14 – 16, 2016. Our registration process is online and will open on June 1st. Whether you've attended previously, or are looking to attend for the first time, we're planning a weekend full of events to show you all that makes our campus great.

We encourage families to make hotel reservations early, and plan to arrive earlier in the day on Friday, so you're able to conduct any DePaul business with your student while university offices are open. This weekend is a perfect opportunity to spend time with your student, while also seeing all DePaul and the city have to offer!

You can get more information about the schedule for the weekend, see answers to typical questions, and register for the weekend (*once it opens on June 1*) at go.depaul.edu/FamilyWeekend. The website is continually updated, so be sure to revisit it from time to time.

Commencement (Graduation) Information

If this applies to you, first – congratulations! Graduation is a celebration not only for our students, but for the families who have supported them during their time at DePaul. As you prepare for this exciting time, there are a number of details you and your student will be managing.

Visit <http://offices.depaul.edu/oaa/about/academic-affairs-events/commencement/Pages/Event-Schedule.aspx> for graduation details and information to make the day a great one for your student and family.

Off-Campus Housing Fair

As your student begins to think about the next academic year, arranging for their housing should be one of their to-dos! Your student may be moving off-campus for the first time, or may be looking to change their current off-campus housing arrangements. Regardless, the Off-Campus Housing Fair is an opportunity for students living off-campus to connect with vendors and information about neighborhoods and housing options available to them. The fair will be held Thursday, April 28th from 11:00 am until 4:00 pm in the Lincoln Park Student Center Atrium.

Students who would like more information or are unable to attend can contact the Office of Adult, Veteran and Commuter Student Affairs.

Parents & Family Resources

[Book: Emptying the Nest: Launching Your Young Adult Toward Success and Self-Reliance](#)

In today's rapidly changing world and challenging economy, young adults increasingly find themselves at a crossroads between financial and emotional dependence and autonomy. Drawing on Dr. Sachs' extensive clinical experience and his illuminating discussion of the latest psychological research,

Emptying the Nest will support parents in their efforts to cultivate their young adult's success and self-reliance while simultaneously maintaining healthy family relationships. (Taken from Amazon.com)

Upcoming Dates to Note

Monday, April 18	- Last day to submit room change requests (Lincoln Park residence halls & University Center) - Spring Quarter facility inspections begin (Lincoln Park residence halls & University Center)
April 19 – 21	Lincoln Park Room Selection for Fall 2016 (Lincoln Park residence halls)
Friday, April 22	Spring Quarter room changes complete
Sunday, May 1	Summer Housing Agreements due (Lincoln Park residence halls & University Center)
Monday, May 2	- Autumn Quarter Registration Opens - Spring Quarter facility inspections complete (Lincoln Park residence halls & University Center)
Friday, May 13	Last day to cancel housing and receive partial spring quarter credit (Lincoln Park residence halls & University Center)
Sunday, May 15	Last day to withdraw from Spring Quarter classes
Monday, May 30	Memorial Day – University Officially Closed
Friday, June 3	End Spring Quarter Day & Evening Classes
Saturday, June 4	Begin Spring Quarter Day & Evening Final Exams
Friday, June 10	End Spring Quarter Day & Evening Final Exams
Saturday/Sunday, June 10 & 11	Commencement ceremonies
Saturday, June 11 (by noon)	Spring Quarter Housing Move-Out (Lincoln Park residence halls & University Center)

Highlights from Around DePaul

From DePaul Magazine: The U.S. presidential election is still half a year away, but it's been on the minds of DePaul students and faculty since at least the fall quarter. Students have also been discussing state and local politics, spin and social media, pundits, debates and much more. While it may be politics as usual across the country, it's still great fodder for engaging and educating the new electorate.

<https://depaulmagazine.com/2016/04/01/educating-a-new-electorate/>

From the DePaul Alumni Magazine: On a cold winter night in Chicago, the last place most people want to be is outdoors. Unfortunately, people struggling with poverty and homelessness often don't have that choice. It is with this understanding in mind that DePaul alumni, faculty and staff take DePaul's mission to heart by volunteering with The Night Ministry.

<https://depaulmagazine.com/2016/04/01/ride-along-with-the-night-ministry/>

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