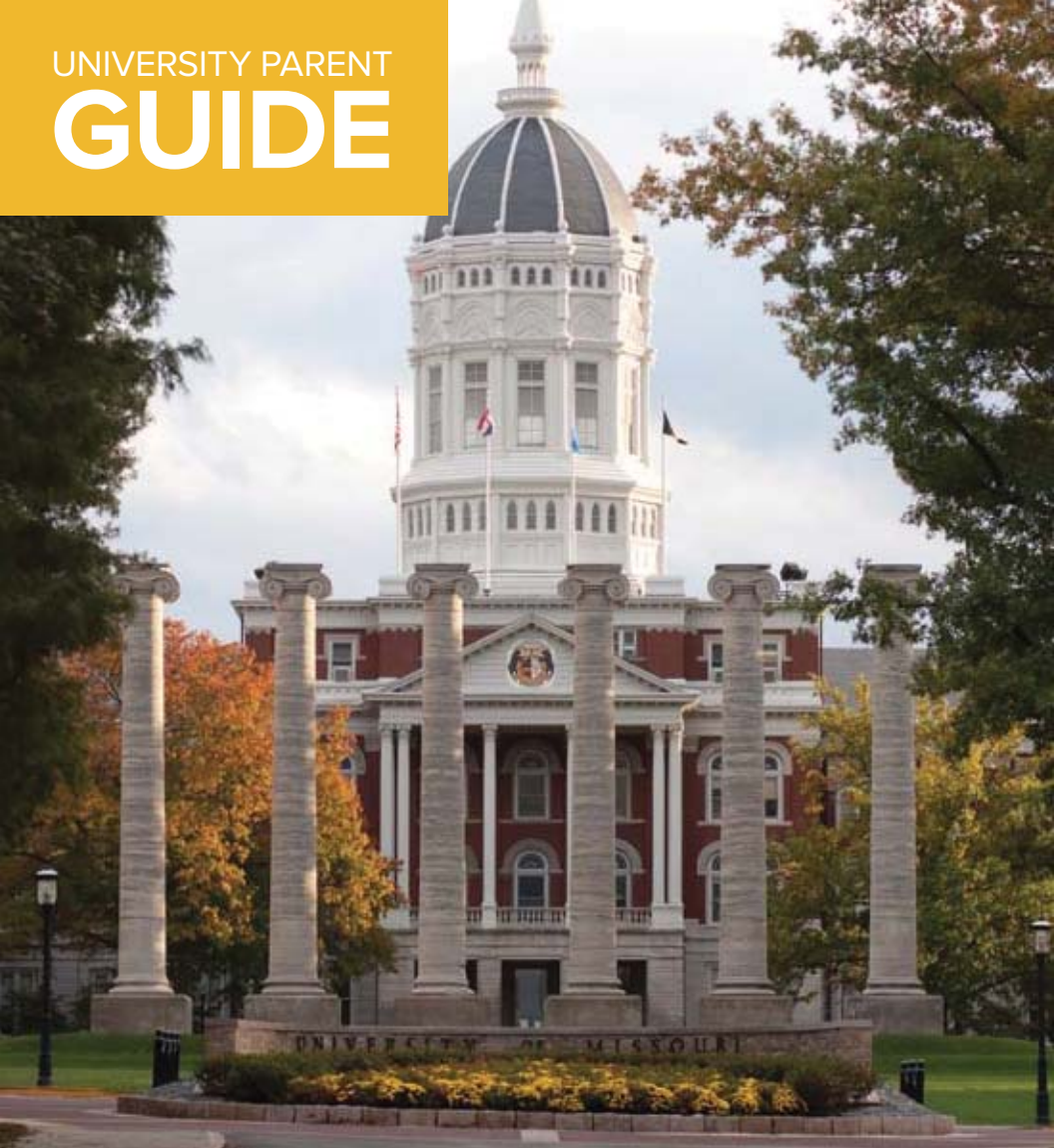


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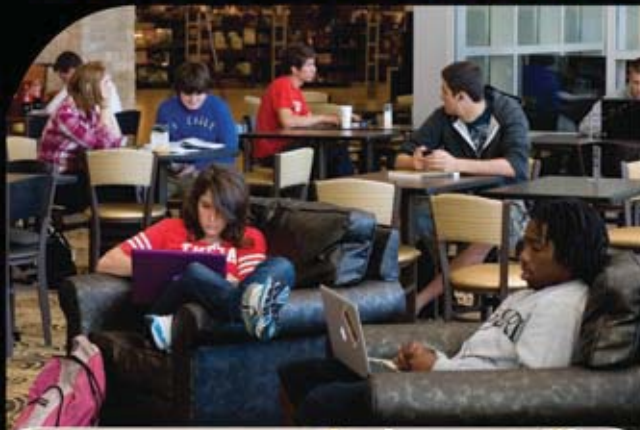
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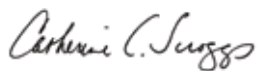
Welcome from Parent Relations

Dear MU Parents, Family and Friends,

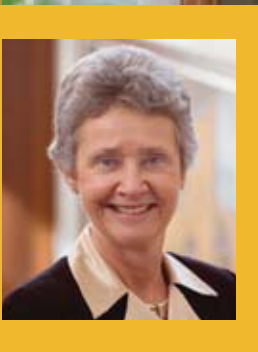
Welcome to fall at Mizzou! We are pleased that you have joined us for Family Weekend 2011! We have scheduled a variety of activities designed especially for you and your student to enjoy together--attending a college open house, enjoying the outdoor concert on Lowry Mall, cheering on the Tigers at various athletic events, and simply walking through the campus to get a closer look at your student's MU home. Visit the MU Student Center, state of the art Recreation Complex and eat lunch in a dining hall. Meet our Chancellor and First Lady as they open their home on Saturday. Get to know downtown and our Columbia community. I'll be looking for you at breakfast before you leave town on Sunday. Through it all, I hope you will take an opportunity to meet other MU parents and students, and share stories of this special place.

We know parent and family support is a key component of student success, and our relationship with you is an important one. This weekend, I encourage you to get to know the Office of Parent Relations. They are happy to answer any questions you may have and will be an excellent resource during your student's time at the University. Let's work together to help your student be successful inside and outside of the classroom. Welcome to the Mizzou family!

Sincerely,



Cathy C. Scroggs
Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs ■



Parents and Families,

We are thrilled to welcome you to the tradition of MU Family Weekend!

Now that your student is a few weeks into the fall semester, this is the perfect time to see campus through their eyes. In planning events for this weekend, one theme consistently came to mind—the Mizzou student experience. The best way to showcase this unique place is to bring you into the areas where our students eat, live, study, where they exercise, get involved, get motivated and where they relax. Walk around campus and get a feel for how your student spends their day.

Colleagues from every aspect of campus have been involved in creating a schedule that has “something for everyone.” Whether you are a parent of a freshman or a senior, your first MU student or your last, enjoy everything about the University of Missouri this weekend. Look to our volunteers to help you navigate campus and answer questions. Most of all, enjoy connecting with your student—we couldn't be more proud of them.

Be sure to keep in touch throughout the year. We love hearing from you.

Enjoy your weekend and Go Tigers!



Laura A. Page
Coordinator, Parent Relations ■



Family Weekend

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

*Events with an asterisk require pre-registration. For the latest schedule updates, visit mizzouparents.missouri.edu

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Family Weekend Check-In

Noon - 7:00 p.m., MU Student Center

Black and Gold Friday

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., MU Bookstore
As a family member of an MU student you're a Tiger now, too! Make sure to show your Mizzou pride at tomorrow's game! Stop by the University Bookstore for Black and Gold Friday. Fans can save 25% off MU insignia clothing and gift items.

George Caleb Bingham Gallery

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., A125
Fine Arts Center

Museum of Art & Archaeology

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Pickard Hall
Saturday and Sunday: Noon - 4:00 pm
For more information, visit artifact.missouri.edu

Museum of Anthropology

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Swallow Hall
Featuring a new exhibit of Japanese Art & Archery. For more information, visit artifact.missouri.edu

Open Classes

A chance to really see what college is like through the eyes of your student! A complete list of classes open to families is available at Family Weekend Check-In.

Student Health Center Meet & Greet

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.,
Student Health Center

"Welcome to Success"

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Student Success Center, Lowry Mall
Find out how the Student Success Center is committed to providing resources to help students.

Department of Biological Sciences Open House

1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., Biological Sciences Advising Center, Tucker 3
Both professional and student advisors will be on hand to welcome families and highlight opportunities for research, career options, as well as tips on what it takes to be a successful science student.

College of Arts and Science Advisement Center: Open for Visitors

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., 107 Lowry

School of Journalism Reception

1:15 p.m. - 2:15 p.m., Spencer Room, 200B Reynolds Journalism Institute
Light refreshments will be served.

Trulasko College of Business

Ice Cream Social

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., Cornell Hall
Drop by for an ice cream social, building tours and an opportunity to meet other business students, faculty, staff and administration.

Ellis Library Guided Tours

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., Ellis Library

Photos with Truman the Tiger

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., MU Student Center (beside check-in area)
Truman has agreed to make a special appearance at Family Weekend. Stop by the registration table Friday from 3-5 for a chance to have your photo taken with Truman. There is no cost

and the photo will be e-mailed to you. This opportunity is sponsored by MU Counseling Center in conjunction with the Office of Parent Relations.

School of Music Family Weekend Choral Concert

5:00 p.m., First Presbyterian Church

Shabbat Dinner


6:00 p.m., Mizzou Hillel
A place where Jewish students at MU come to meet each other and get involved in Jewish life at the university, Mizzou Hillel welcomes parents and family members to our weekly Shabbat service and dinner. Event is FREE but reservations are preferred. RSVP to adminhillel@socket.net.

Mizzou Soccer vs. Florida

6:30 p.m., Audrey Walton Stadium
Free to students with a valid student ID. Other tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for youth.

*Comedy Show

7:00 p.m., Jesse Auditorium, Jesse Hall
Mizzou is proud to welcome 16-time College Entertainer of the Year, Buzz Sutherland, to our campus for the Family Weekend Comedy Show. Join us for a night filled with laughter and fun! Please note the performance may not be suitable for younger audience members. Parental discretion is advised. Tickets are \$5 for MU students and \$8 for the public. Sponsored by the MSA/GPC Special Events Committee ▶



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Film: Kung Fu Panda 2

7:00 p.m. & 9:30 p.m., Wrench Auditorium, Memorial Student Union
Po joins forces with a group of new kung-fu masters to take on an old enemy with a deadly new weapon. This animated hit movie includes the vocal talents of Jack Black and Angelina Jolie. Admission is \$1. Tickets are available at the door. Rated G. Sponsored by the MSA/GPC Films Committee.

Family Weekend: Mizzou on the Mall

8:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.
Lowry Mall (Rain Site: Stotler Lounge, Memorial Student Union)
Music, snacks, and special Mizzou treats, while supplies last. It's time to relax after a great day on campus. Sponsored by the MSA/GPC Department of Student Activities, the Department of Student Life and the MU Parents Leadership Council.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17:

Family Weekend Check-In

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., MU Student Center

University Bookstore Hours

8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

School of Health Professions Annual Pancake Breakfast

8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., Lewis Hall Lobby
The School of Health Professions (SHP) will host a pancake breakfast in the Lewis & Clark Hall Lobby for all SHP students and their families on Sat. morning of Family Weekend. Come meet the Dean, faculty, staff and other SHP students. This event is free.

CAFNR Family Breakfast/Brunch at the Café in Eckles Hall

8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., Culinary Cafe, Eckles Hall
Mix and mingle with CAFNR parents, students, faculty, and staff. An RSVP by September 14 is appreciated to (573) 882-8302 or danielsmr@missouri.edu.

School of Nursing Open House

8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., Sinclair School of Nursing Building
The building will be open for tours and faculty will be available to meet parents and family members. There will also be breakfast foods and door prizes!

College of Arts and Science Advisement Center: Open for Visitors

9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., 107 Lowry

Department of Communication Open House

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., Switzler Hall
Drop by for coffee and bagels, and tour the newly renovated Switzler Hall, the oldest classroom building west of the Mississippi River.

College of Education Open House

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., Townsend Lobby
Stop by to enjoy a continental breakfast and guided tours of the College by College of Education Ambassadors. Daniel L. Clay, Dean of the College of Education, will make remarks at 9:30 a.m. in 205 Townsend.

Chancellor's Family Weekend Open House

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., Francis Quadrangle
The Chancellor and "First Lady of Mizzou" Dr. Anne Deaton invite students and their families to an open house at their residence-the oldest building on the oldest public University campus west of the Mississippi River.

Museum of Anthropology

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Swallow Hall
Featuring a new exhibit of Japanese Art & Archery.

Engineering BBQ

Two and a half hours prior to kickoff, Lafferre Hall, South parking lot
Event is free to those who register. RSVP to balsert@missouri.edu with



student's first and last name & number of attendees by September 9th. Event is \$5 at the door if not registered.

***Family Weekend at the Craft Studio!**
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things Mizzou related, will be available to help get your creative juices flowing as will our large supply of black & gold paint! You will leave with your own personalized Mizzou artwork to remember your Family Weekend experience for years to come. Open to all ages! Sponsored by the MSA/GPC Craft Studio. The Craft Studio Gallery is also open from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Friday and 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday: www.craftstudio.org

Museum of Art & Archaeology
12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., *Pickard Hall*

Cub Carnival
1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., *Kuhlman Court (between the MU Student Center and Ellis Library)*
Join SUPB as we celebrate Mizzou Family weekend on Kuhlman Court outside the MU Student Center. Play games, bounce around in our bounce house, relax, and cheer on the Tigers for a fun family event! Sponsored by the Student Unions Programming Board.

***Family Weekend Pre-Game Meal**
10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. at three residential dining locations: *Pavilion at Dobbs, Plaza 900 and Rollins*

Join us for a traditional pre-game meal in a location your student enjoys everyday! Guest servers and lots of black and gold will provide a festive atmosphere for fans preparing to cheer on the Tigers! Pre-paid tickets are encouraged and available through Family Weekend registration. Sponsored by Campus Dining Services

***Football Game: MU vs. Western Illinois**
Kick Off 6:00 p.m., *Faurot Field, Memorial Stadium*

Film: Kung Fu Panda 2
Special Matinees at 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m. & 9:30 p.m.
Wrench Auditorium, Memorial Student Union
Admission is \$1. Sponsored by the MSA/GPC Films Committee.

SATURDAY RESIDENCE HALL EVENTS

McDavid
8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
Come join McDavid staff and enjoy light refreshments. Go on a tour of McDavid to view artwork and history from past and present students. The hall gallery will host a student show exploring the theme of "family."

College Avenue Hall
8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
Join the College Ave. staff for coffee and refreshments. Located near the front desk, a letter writing station will be set up so family can write notes to their students. When finished, the letters will be placed in a collection box then staff will deliver the letters to the students during the second week of October. We will provide stationary, pens, and envelopes.

Hatch
8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m., *Hatch Main Lounge*
Hello Hatch Hall Parents! We invite you to coffee and a light breakfast. You can also write your student an encouraging note and visit with the Hatch Hall student and professional staff.

Schurz
8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m., *Schurz Front Lounge*
Join the Schurz student staff as they treat you to continental breakfast! This is an excellent opportunity for families to spend time with their students before taking part in the day's events on campus. Learn a little more about Carl Schurz, the building's namesake, and write a note to your student that will be delivered to them!

Mark Twain Hall
8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
Staff will be present to meet and greet families over coffee and light refreshments. A letter writing station will be set up all day at the Front Desk lounge area so family can write notes to their students. When finished, the letters will be placed in a collection box then staff will deliver the letters to the students during

the second week of October. We will provide stationary, pens, and envelopes.

Tiger Diggs
9:00 - 11:00 a.m., *Campus View Clubhouse*
Join the Tiger Diggs Residential Life Staff as they treat you to a light breakfast! This is an excellent opportunity for families to spend time with their students and enjoy a meal before taking part in the day's events on campus!

Rollins (Hudson and Gillett Halls) and Virginia Ave (Excellence, Respect, Discovery and Responsibility Halls)
9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Family and Friends are encouraged to drop by the front desks for light refreshments, and an opportunity to leave an encouraging note for their student, as well as walk away with a memorable photo. Your student's CA/LA/Pas and Hall Government Officers are teaming up to make this a weekend to remember. Stationary will be provided for family and

friends to write an encouraging note to their student, which will be delivered one week later to the student's mailbox by hall staff. A Mizzou backdrop will allow family and friends to pose with their student for a free picture (photos can be picked up the next day or emailed).

Johnston/Wolpers
9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Come to the Main Lounge in Johnston or Wolpers and write your student an encouraging note that we will deliver to them. You can also have a light breakfast before you head out for the day.

Dobbs/Southwest area
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., *Culberson Court (basketball court by Lathrop Hall); rain location: Center Hall Classrooms*
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18:

***Parent Breakfast with the Vice Chancellor**
9:00 a.m. Great Room, Reynolds Alumni Center
 Vice Chancellor Cathy Scroggs extends a special invitation to parents and students for Sunday breakfast. Wrap up your Mizzou weekend with great food and conversation while you learn more about the Mizzou student experience. Seating is limited; open to families who pre-registered. *Please note that Maryland Avenue will be closed on Sunday, as part of the course in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure.*

Museum of Art & Archaeology
12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., Pickard Hall

Family Picnic at Mizzou Hillel
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
 Event is free but reservations are preferred. RSVP to adminhillel@socket.net. Hosted by the Jewish Student Organization

Mizzou Soccer vs. UMKC
1:00 p.m., Audrey Walton Stadium
 Free to students with a valid student ID. Other tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for youth.

HES Annual Scholarship and Honors Convocation
1:30 - 3:00 p.m., Statler Lounge, Memorial Union
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Expect Game Day Traffic

Allow plenty of time to get to the stadium. Typically, roads and parking lots are crowded on game days, so plan extra time for traffic delays and for parking, as well. Many lots and garages are available around campus for free or a small fee. As you head toward your tailgate, make sure to follow directions of those people directing traffic. Only cross at designated spots.

What Not To Bring

Memorial Stadium does not allow umbrellas, strollers, coolers, video cameras, pets, outside food or drink, weapons, or backpacks. Please leave these items at home or in your car.

All Residence Halls Will Be Locked

If you need to get into a residence hall, be sure to take your student with you. All halls will be locked all weekend and will require a Student ID of a resident for entrance.

What To Wear

Gold! The athletic department at Mizzou encourages all fans to wear gold to all games. You can get some great black and gold Mizzou gear at the MU Bookstore on Friday for 25% off or at the Tiger Team Store on Game Day. Make sure you have your sunscreen. You might also consider bringing a rain poncho.

If You Are Hosting Your Own Tailgate

Many families and fans choose to have their own tailgate in one of the surrounding parking lots or garages. If you are planning to host your own pre-game experience, be sure to have your favorite snacks and beverages. Keep in mind that no kegs or bulk quantities of alcohol are allowed in vehicles or anywhere near the stadium. University alcohol policies are still in place, and it is illegal for anyone under 21

to consume alcohol. Barbecue grills are allowed in parking lots but not in garages.

Be Safe!

Make sure you don't leave valuables in plain sight in your vehicle. If you bring a purse or bag, it will be searched as you enter the stadium.

Restrooms

Temporary restrooms are provided in designated parking areas. Stadium restrooms that open to both the concourse and parking areas will be switched from outside access to inside access one hour prior to game time. Baby changing stations are available in most restrooms except inside gate 6E and 6W.

How Do I Get To the Stadium From My Tailgate or Parking?

Walk! The stadium is just west of the Hearnes Center. Follow the directions of the police officers who are directing traffic. Be sure to look at the signs above the gates to see which entrance is closest to your seat. Gates will open 90 minutes before game time.

Ticketing Procedures

Gates to Memorial Stadium will open 90 minutes prior to kickoff. All persons attending must have a ticket (as a courtesy, children age two and under are admitted at no charge, provided they do not take up a seat). Reserved ticket locations are identified by a single letter (West Side), double letter (East Side), or section number (South End zone). General Admission ticket seating is on the grass hill overlooking the North End Zone. Students using their student season tickets must sit in the student section and will not be permitted to sit with reserved ticketholders. This includes their families. Students wishing to sit with their family will need to have purchased a ticket next to their family. ►

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How Do I Leave the Stadium?

As you leave, you may notice traffic is heavy once again. Please look for the officers who are directing traffic. Some streets will be designated as right-hand turn only. Pay close attention and follow the officers' instructions to be sure you get out safely. ■

Where to Park

Those who wish to park in close proximity of Memorial Stadium have many options from which to choose.

There are seven on-campus garages (including the newest Parking Structure #7). Most are FREE of charge with the exceptions of 1) Maryland Avenue garage located at the corner of Maryland Avenue and Hospital Drive, and 2) Parking Structure #7, located at the corner of Monk Dr. and Virginia Ave. The fee for both garages is \$15 per vehicle. There is a general public parking lot at the corner of Stadium Blvd. and Monk Drive that is monitored as a family-friendly zone for a fee of \$15 per vehicle. Please refer to the parking map for more information. All locations listed above are for passenger vehicles only. RVs and buses will not be allowed in these parking areas; visit the Bus/RV Parking page for more information on those vehicles.



Please note that all lots immediately surrounding the stadium are lots reserved for donors to the Tiger Scholarship Fund. For more information on acquiring donor parking, please call the Tiger Scholarship Fund at (573) 882-0704 or visit TSF-Mizzou.com.

On game days, the Missouri Department of Transportation and the Missouri State Highway Patrol prohibit parking on the shoulder of either side of Providence Blvd., from Stadium Blvd. south to Reactor Field. Cones are placed on the prohibited areas to facilitate pedestrian walkways to the stadium on Providence. ■

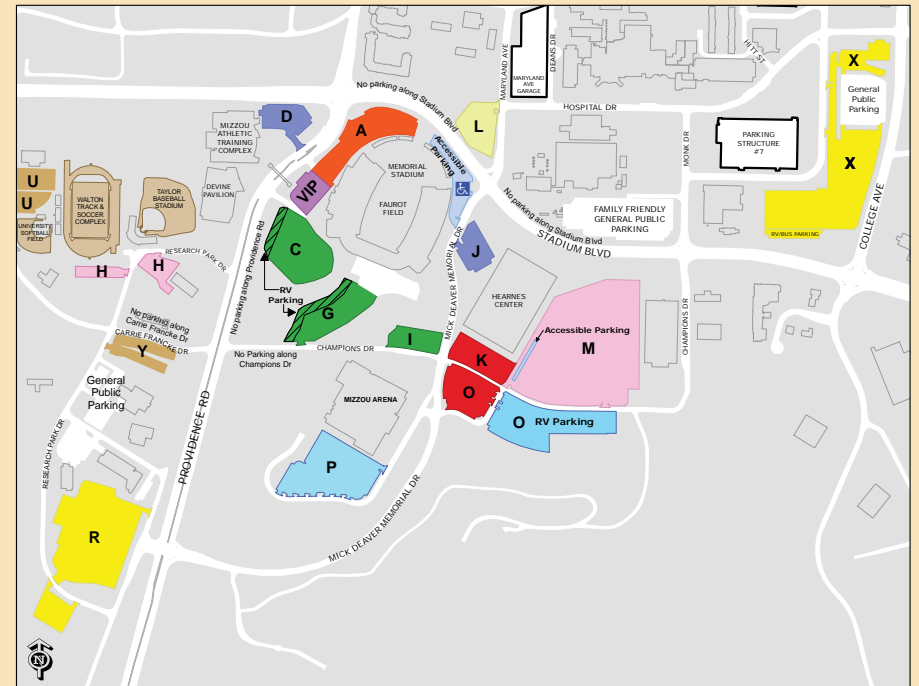


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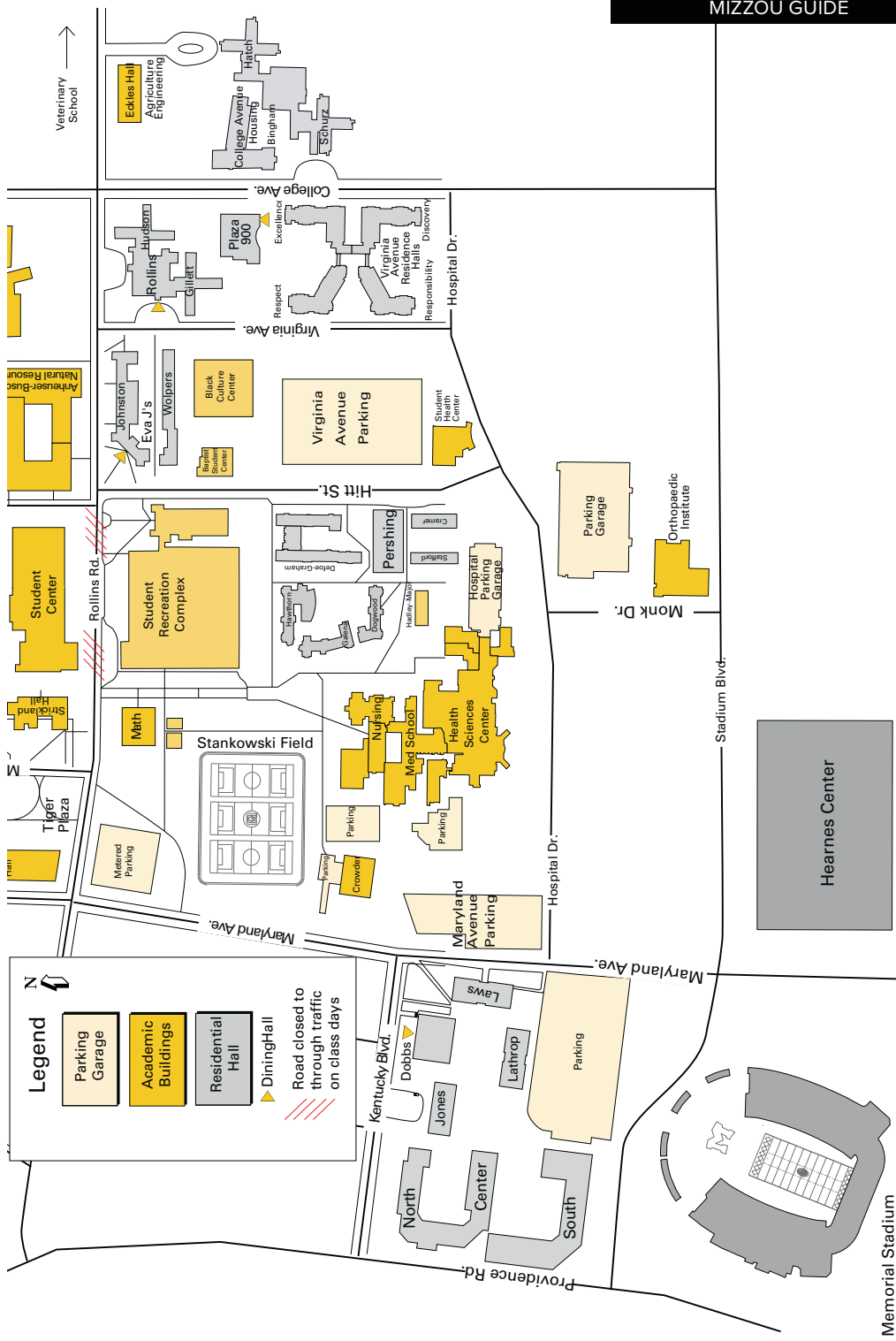
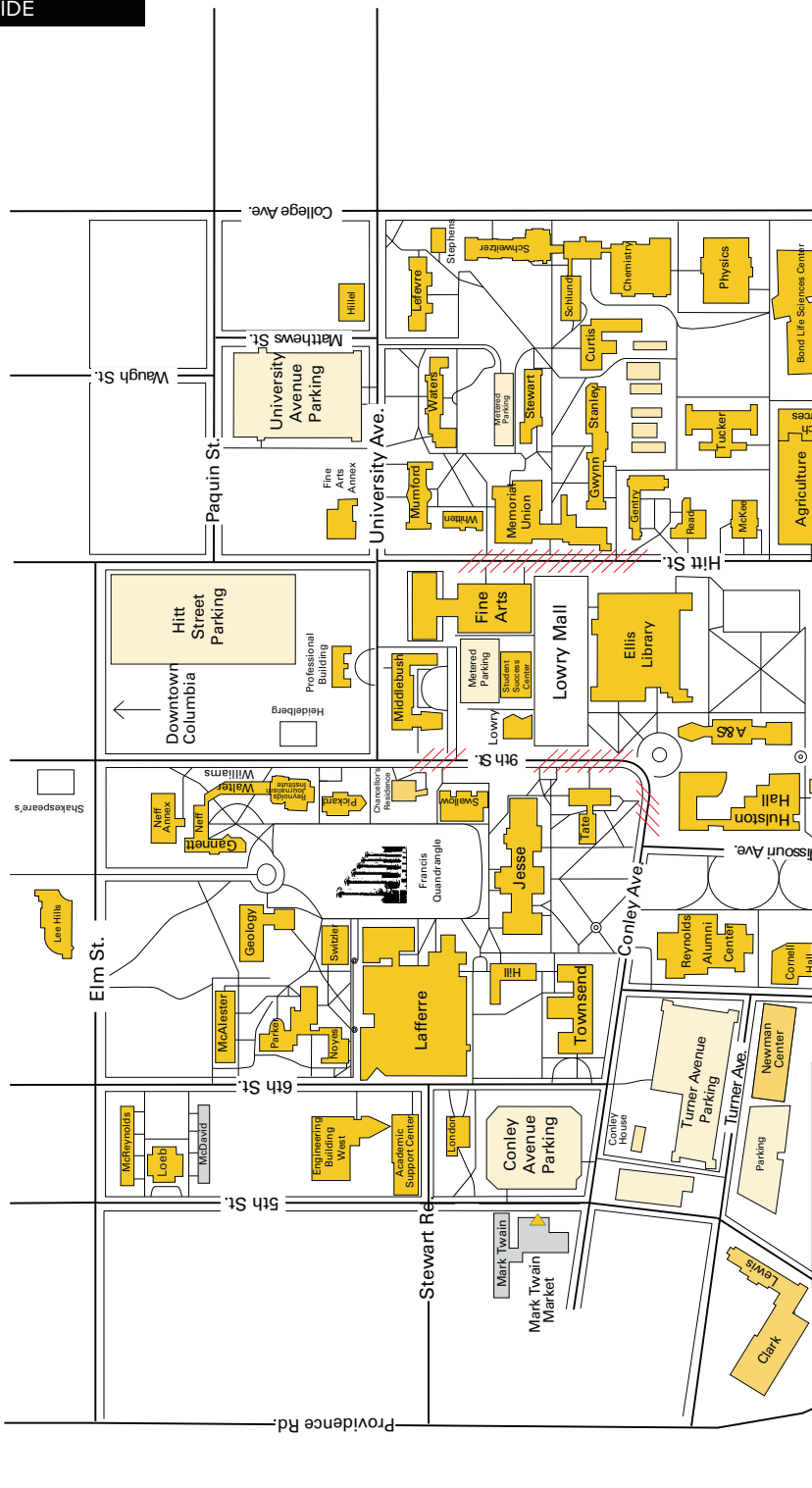
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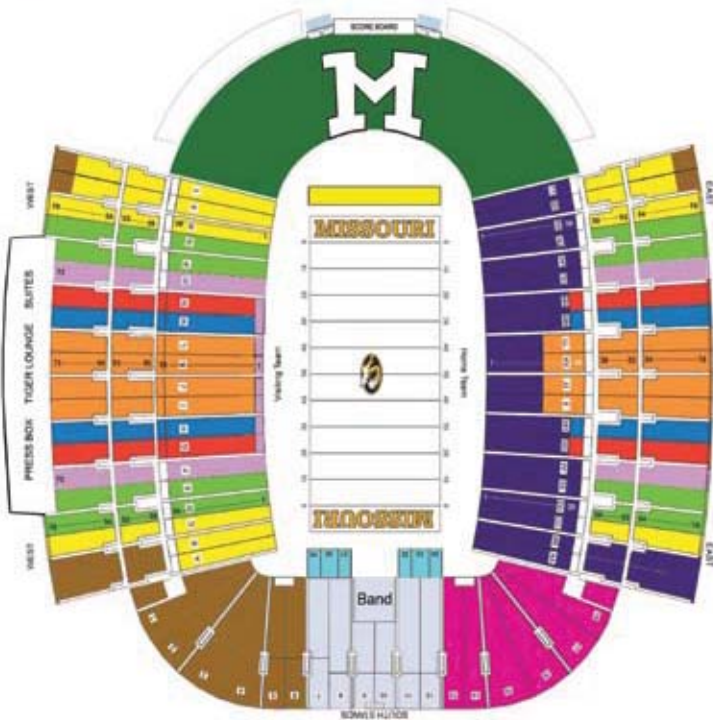


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Welcome to Columbia, MO!

Food and Spirits in Columbia

Known as The District (www.discoverthedistrict.com), Columbia’s vibrant downtown is a re-not-so-square-block area offering culinary experiences that include boutiques with an olive oil tasting bar, a chocolatier, organic and ethnic grocers, as well as numerous chef-owned and entrepreneurial restaurants. Contemporary American fare is available at local establishments such as Addison’s, Sycamore, Room 38 and Flat Branch Pub & Brewing.

Steaks are the feature at Mackenzie’s Prime. Upscale bistros include Tellers, Bleu and The Wine Cellar. Alums flock to long standing traditions such as Shakespeare’s Pizza, CJ’s Hot Wings and Booche’s, a century-old billiards parlor that was ranked by USA Today in 2005

as having the country’s best road food burger. Vegetarians can find delicious organic options at Main Squeeze. Ethnic offerings include Bangkok Gardens, a “cultural fusion” Thai restaurant, and Sake, which offers Japanese selections. Locally owned Italian, Mexican, Indian, Korean, Chinese and Mediterranean restaurants are scattered throughout The District.

If you’re looking for the classic American diner experience, The Broadway Diner is housed in a 1940’s Valentine diner; Lucy’s Café serves 3 squares a day, including home-made biscuits, and Ernie’s has been serving blue-plate specials since 1934. If you need a shot of caffeine, check out the house-roasted offerings at Lakota, or the “rocket fuel” specialty at Coffee Zone. Kaldi’s is a great place to meet friends and enjoy a cup with some delicious



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pastries. Other dining districts are located on Columbia's "south side", which has several independent restaurants and casual eateries. The Les Bourgeois Winery and Bistro in Rocheport, just 15 minutes away, offers a variety of experiences: fine dining, wine-tasting, casual wine and picnic basket style dining with a spectacular bluff-top view of the Missouri River.

Outdoor Recreation

Preservation of green space and a diverse park system provide numerous recreation opportunities. Columbia connects to the Katy Trail State Park via the MKT Trail. Both the 9 mile MKT and the 225 mile Katy were built on the bed of the old Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad. As the longest, non-motorized segment of the Lewis and Clark Heritage Trail, the Katy Trail offers modern day explorers a unique way to discover the Missouri River Valley.

Mighty-MO Canoe Rental offers guided canoe and kayak excursions on the river every Saturday from mid-May to October, weather permitting. (www.mighty-mo.com) The Eagle Bluffs Conservation Area is located southwest of Columbia at McBaine. This 4,286-acre area is known for shorebird and migratory game bird viewing. Seasonally flooded wetlands attract numerous species of birds, making this a top site for bird watchers and migratory game bird hunters.

The Missouri River flows along the western border of the area and Perche Creek flows along the eastern border. Driving Directions to Eagle Bluffs from Columbia: Go south on Providence Road (Route K) past the village of McBaine. Continue across Perche Creek and turn left on Star School Road. ■

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
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Academic Calendar

FALL SEMESTER 2011

DAY	DATE
Classwork begins @ 8:00 a.m.	Mon August 22
Labor Day Holiday (no classes)	Mon September 05
Thanksgiving recess begins @ close of day	Sat November 19
Classwork resumes @ 8:00 a.m.	Mon November 28
Classwork ends @ close of day	Thu December 08
Reading Day	Fri December 09
Final examinations begin	Mon December 12
Fall semester closes @ 5:30 p.m.	Fri December 16
Commencement	Fri / Sat December 16 & 17

SPRING SEMESTER 2012

DAY	DATE
Martin Luther King Holiday (no classes)	Mon January 16
Classwork begins @ 8:00 a.m.	Tue January 17
Spring Recess begins @ close of day	Sat March 24
Classwork resumes @ 8:00 a.m.	Mon April 02
Classwork ends @ close of day	Thu May 03
Reading Day	Fri May 04
Final examinations begin	Mon May 07
Spring semester closes @ 5:30 p.m.	Fri May 11
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And Then There Were Three: Helping Siblings through the College Transition *Paper Clip Communications*

You never thought the day would come that your children who argued over clothes, divided their shared room down the middle with masking tape, and avoided each other at school would actually be sad to say good-bye. As your child prepares to leave for college, saying good-bye is equally difficult for those leaving and those being left behind, even siblings. Sibling relationships can be enduring, and a sense of loss can be felt when an older sibling heads off to college.

Staying Connected

Whether a sibling is feeling lonely or confused about their new perceived role in the family, there are a variety of ways that parents can help those children at home stay connected with an older sibling at college.

Plan family gatherings

- Plan a dinner out for just family when the college student comes home to visit.
- Explore a new city by meeting halfway between home and college for a day.
- Have the younger sibling(s) and college sibling(s) collaboratively plan a family weekend getaway.

Virtual connection

- Plan weekly phone calls for younger siblings to talk with their older sibling.
- Provide access to email for siblings back home.
- Help a sibling prepare a college care package.
- Snail mail is always fun to get, so encourage siblings to write each other regularly.

Plan a campus visit: Family Weekend, Homecoming, Athletic Events

Opportunities to Reconnect with Siblings Still at Home

Multiple changes are happening for the college sibling, and similarly the siblings left behind are experiencing change in a newly constructed family unit. Consider how you can anticipate the new “family order”:

- The middle child or younger child will now take on the role of the oldest in the family.
- Resources such as transportation, bedroom space, computer, etc. may need to be reallocated appropriately amongst those siblings still at home.
- This is the time to give special attention and support to the siblings still at home.

Be careful not to send a “guilt trip”

- It is easy to try to “make” an older sibling spend time with a younger sibling, but allowing the reconnection to happen naturally will lead to a long-term renewed relationship.
- Be careful not to make a returning student feel guilty for wanting to spend time with friends, bringing new college friends home, or needing alone time, rather than spending time with family.

Family Reconfiguration When College Student Arrives Home

- A homecoming will require adjustments.
- Younger siblings experience mixed emotions and may need support from parents if they feel that a returning college student is monopolizing family time and resources.

- Younger siblings may be confused by perceived and real changes in their college sibling. Once able to talk about everything and anything, siblings have led different lives over the past few months and may need to become re-acquainted.
- The middle or youngest sibling has become comfortable with his role as the “oldest” the past few months, and will need to adjust to the adapted family hierarchy once again.

Making the Most of Family Weekend

Paper Clip Communications

When visiting campus, it’s not just about crab puffs at receptions and shaking hands. This is a real opportunity to connect with your student and his/her campus! Here are a few tips to help make the most of your visit:

- **Attend Classes.** See what your student is experiencing in the classroom so you can “talk academics” throughout the remainder of the year.
- **Listen to Your Student.** Listen as he tells you about the rugby intramurals team he joined or the bio lab he’s really enjoying. Listen as she tells you about a group she’d like to join or how much she has connected with her PA/CA. This is your time together to communicate face-to-face. Try to talk less and listen more—you just may pick up on some subtleties that don’t come through long-distance via IM and phone calls.
- **Try New Things.** There will likely be quite a slate of activities available during the weekend. Try some of these new things with your student. He/she may find a new hobby, interest or direction as a result!
- **Meet & Mingle.** Attend receptions, talk with other parents, and meet administrators and faculty. These folks are at your disposal during the weekend. Plus, you’ll get a better feel for what campus life is about and who is available to your student.
- **Participate on Campus.** It might be tempting to head off campus away from the hub-bub yet participating on campus is how you and your student will likely feel most connected.
- **Ooh and Aah Instead of Huffing and Puffing.** Try to be upbeat and positive throughout the weekend. Comment on how good the dining hall food is instead of making negative remarks. Compliment what your student has done to make her room look homey, how pretty the campus grounds look, and more. Your student will be seeing campus through your eyes this weekend!
- **Connect with the Campus Parent Office.** It’s a great way to meet other parents and to participate in the life of the campus.
- **Put Yourself in Visitor Mode.** You’re on your student’s turf this weekend. Let him take the lead and show you his place with pride. And have a wonderful visit! ■

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