



Elon Academy Saturday Program

September 23, 2023

(Scholars and families)

9:00 am – 12:30 pm

Next Saturday Program
October 14th (*Scholars only*)

Welcome back scholars and families!

We look forward to seeing you on campus! Please arrive by 8:50 am to allow time for check-in so we can keep to our schedule. The check-in tables are located in the lobby of Koury Business Center (KOBC). After check-in, scholars and families will gather in KOBC 101 (directly off the lobby) for morning meeting.

Parking is available in the Colonnades lot behind KOBC- we cannot park in the admissions lot or The Inn at Elon as these are reserved spaces and parking there could result in your car being towed. **On the day of the program, scholars or families may call (336) 392-7728 for help navigating campus, if needed.**

If, prior to programming, a scholar or family member feels sick or is aware of exposure to COVID-19 they should NOT attend the program. If you have concerns about health and safety, please contact the Elon Academy office. At this time, wearing a mask indoors is optional. We ask scholars to communicate their absence by emailing or calling their college planning faculty or contacting elonacademy@elon.edu. As a reminder, the expectation is that all scholars will attend every Saturday program. **There is no option to attend virtually.** Excused absences are given only for sickness, family emergency, exposure to COVID-19, or death in the family. School related (e.g. marching band events), sports conflicts, and work are not excused absences. Missing a Saturday program will put a scholar behind in important college planning work that they are unable to "make up."

Scholar Announcements

If you have not sent your **fall schedule to Ms. W-K** please do so.

CAT Mentor meetings begin this month. We expect you to meet with your CAT Mentor once in September, October, and November. Please respond promptly to your CAT Mentor and communicate meeting plans to your family. CAT mentors will likely reach out initially using your Elon email address; so please continue to check your Elon email regularly (at least twice per week). If you have any difficulty accessing your Elon email, please contact Elon's campus technology department at 336-278-5200.

All scholars have access to free academic coaching (trained Elon University students) for their core subjects (e.g. math, English, science, history) and may request a coach for the fall semester until **October 30th**. Coaching request forms are available on our website under the For Scholars and Families tab. **Academic coaching may take place virtually (e.g. via Skype, Zoom, FaceTime) or in person.**

PSAT: All sophomores and juniors should be taking the PSAT on October 11th. The PSAT is only offered one time each year so it's very important to do everything you can to avoid missing out on taking this exam. Please pay close attention to school announcements regarding the PSAT. If you have questions about the PSAT at your school, contact your school counselor or testing coordinator.

SAT Prep: Fall SAT Prep with Ms. W-K is full. If you are signed up for it, Ms. W-K will email you with info soon. There are only a few spots left for the Spring SAT Prep. If you are interested in this, please email Ms. W-K ASAP.

SAT Fee Waivers: All juniors are now eligible for SAT fee waivers. You are eligible for two fee waivers which allow you to take the SAT twice at no cost. To obtain your fee waiver, you must reach out to your school counselor. As a reminder, Elon Academy does not have fee waivers for the SAT. The only place you can get these is from your school counselor's office.

It is important that you provide your own transportation whenever possible. We do not have the staff to pick up large numbers of students. If you need a ride, call the Elon Academy office at 336-278-6109 by the **WEDNESDAY** before EVERY Saturday program.

Upcoming Events

September 7th- Registration Deadline for the October 7th SAT
October 5th- Registration for the November 4th SAT
September 22nd- Registration for the October 28th ACT
College Application Week October 16-20

Family Corner

We look forward to working with you throughout the academic year! If you are unable to join us for family programs, but would like information on what was presented, please contact Katie LaPlante at kwicke@elon.edu or (336) 264-1963. We also hope to post presentation materials (PowerPoints, handouts) on our website (www.elon.edu/elonacademy) after the program under Resource Library > Family Saturday Programs. Additionally, our website has important dates (e.g. Saturday programs, summer program), pictures and bios of our staff, including CAT Mentors, and information on community resources.

2024 Summer Program: June 9th-28th, 2024 with scholars returning home on weekends (more information to come). **Scholars are expected to attend the entire three weeks. Please do not plan vacations, routine doctor's appointments, senior pictures, or driver's education during these dates. Scholars should communicate these dates ASAP to sports coaches and/or employers.**

Did you know we regularly send scholars emails? The Elon Academy regularly shares community resources (e.g. food distribution, volunteer opportunities), tips for emotional well-being and academic success, and program updates via email to scholars.

College Access Team (CAT) mentoring begins in September and scholars should meet with their mentor 3 times per semester (generally September, October, November and February, March, April). We encourage scholars to meet with their CAT Mentor in person. We ask scholars to schedule these meetings independently and communicate their plans well in advance to their families. We hope that maintaining their own schedule allows scholars to practice important skills for college.

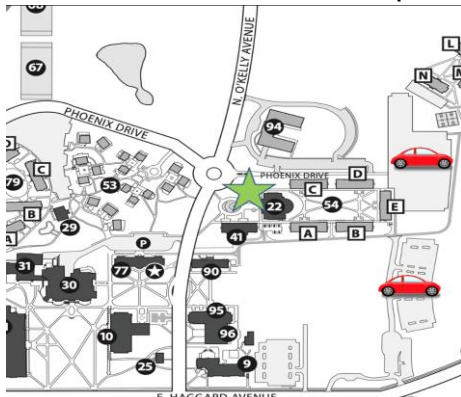
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Some fun (and FREE with your Phoenix Card) on-campus events:

Elon Football vs. North Carolina A & T: Saturday, September 16th at 6 pm.

Elon Women's Soccer vs. Northeastern: Sunday, September 17th at 1 pm.

Don't forget your Phoenix card can be used to check out books in Elon's library, access the fitness center, and to see movies at Turner Theatre (schedule at turnertheatre.com)!



Koury Business Center and Sankey Hall Directions

Take Highway 70 West/South Church Street to Williamson Avenue. Turn right on Williamson. Follow this road for 1.7 miles. You will cross railroad tracks as you enter the campus area. Continue through the stoplight. Turn right on Haggard Avenue. Turn left on O'Kelly Avenue. Koury Business Center and Sankey Hall will be on your right.