



These newsletters are sent to the families of current Elon students throughout the year by the Office of Parent Engagement.

Ready & Resilient

Elon University faculty and staff are working hard to prepare for the resumption of on-campus classes for Fall 2020. Every member of the Elon community must be ready to create a culture of responsibility and resilience.

[Elon courses](#) will be offered through in-person instruction in classrooms configured to support physical distancing, with requirements for face coverings and sanitizing surfaces. Classes may be moved to larger spaces on campus, including some rooms that are not normally used for instruction.

[Residence Life](#) will create new social norms for living on campus, with educational programs and agreements for residential students based on each unique living arrangement.

Elon will reinvent [student experiences](#), gatherings, operations and events to ensure a vibrant and healthy student experience on campus. As always, Elon will remain student-centered, learning-focused and relationship-driven by reimagining student experiences outside the classroom to create healthy engagement opportunities for all students.

Visit the [Ready & Resilient website](#) to learn more about our plans for the fall.

New Student Move-in

All new students (first-years and transfers) have been assigned a date and time to move in, either on Friday, Aug. 14 or Saturday, Aug. 15. Students should check their Acorn account to find their assigned date/time.

Upon arriving to campus and before heading to a residence hall or office on campus, all incoming and returning students and family members must first go to Schar Center to complete the Health Check-in. At the Schar Center, students and family members will complete a health screening including temperature check.

In order to increase physical distancing, students will be allowed a maximum of two family members to accompany them to [move-in](#).

Parent and family orientation will be held virtually this year. However, before leaving campus, families of new students are invited to attend a physically-distanced program in Alumni Gym. Families will receive information on the date and time of their assigned session in the coming weeks. This event will provide family members with the opportunity to hear from senior administrators before departing campus.

Orientation for all new students will officially begin at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 15.



Residence Life: First-Year Students

Housing assignments and roommate information for incoming students will be released on Thursday, July 23. Parents and families are encouraged to work with first-year students to prepare for their new community! Once assignments are made, students should connect with their roommates as soon as possible and speak openly about their needs, interests and habits.

At that time, students and families will also receive more information about [Residence Life](#)'s response to COVID-19 and how living in community will look different this fall.

Senior year: Planning and Transitions

Students who plan to graduate in May 2021 must [apply for graduation](#) during the summer or fall of their senior year. Once the application is complete and has been submitted, the student must schedule an appointment for an official graduation audit. Encourage your senior to get a head start and contact the Office of the Registrar now!

Class of 2024: Elon Bound

The [Elon Bound website](#) is full of information, deadlines and requirements to help first-year students begin their Elon experiences. Please encourage your first-year student to check the site often, review checklists, watch the videos and check their Elon email account frequently. You can also view information specific to parents and families on the [New Student and Transition Programs website](#).

Student Involvement

Student Involvement fosters a vibrant and inclusive social climate through the facilitation of engaging events and programs, including concerts, comedians, late-night programs, trips to sporting events, movies and tailgates. Student Involvement staff also work closely with our fraternity and sorority community. Student Involvement recognizes the importance of continuing to facilitate opportunities for all Elon students to build a strong sense of community and belonging. Plans are being developed to reimagine our work in preparation for returning to campus next month. In the meantime, please visit [PhoenixCONNECT](#) for a list of active student organizations and upcoming campus events.

In addition, Student Involvement is the starting point for new organizations and guides new student leaders through the development process. The Student Involvement Ambassadors, a group of student leaders located in Moseley Center, can assist students one-on-one in identifying meaningful involvement opportunities across campus.

Family Weekend

In an abundance of care and caution for students, families, alumni, faculty and staff due to COVID-19, Elon has decided to reduce the presence of constituents returning to visit campus. Thus, we are moving ahead with a reimagined, virtual Family Weekend experience. While we all prefer to be on-campus and in person, we will still provide a rich set of options for engagement and connection, including our signature Family Weekend events, virtually.

More details will be forthcoming later this summer.

Elon Dining

Our dining team is hard at work this summer crafting a unique dining and unforgettable culinary experience for Elon students this fall. Our chefs are developing new menus and features across campus that will excite guests. We are also hard at work developing new online ordering, [safety procedures](#) and policies to keep our dining locations safe for our students and our dining teams.

Check out the provided links on [our website](#) for details on these new policies, plus view our [new digital dining brochure](#), keep up with the latest dining news and meal plan promotions on our website, and make sure to follow Elon Dining on [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#)!



Emergency Resources from Campus Safety

Campus safety is a top priority for Elon. In an emergency, emergency.elon.edu and the [Today at Elon website](#) will be updated frequently with important instructions and information. Elon University communicates emergency information through email and text messaging. Additional information may be sent out through mobile apps and social media. Campus safety leaders strongly recommend that students and families register for emergency text messages through the [E-Alert Notification System](#). Additionally, students are encouraged to sign up for [LiveSafe](#) – an iPhone and Android app that gives users two-way communication direct to Campus Safety and Police.

Student Parking Permits

Students must register all motor vehicles with Campus Safety and Police prior to the first day of classes. Parking registration is [now open online](#) for all returning students. New student parking registration will open on July 23, once housing assignments are released. Aug. 5 is the cutoff date for permits to be mailed to a summer or home address.

Mail Services

All new students will be assigned a campus box number by the end of July. Students can view their campus box assignment by logging into their OnTrack account. Items for move-in can be mailed to the university after Aug. 1. All mail and packages must be addressed using the following format:

Student Name
XXXXX Campus Box
Elon, NC 27244

Items not properly addressed may cause a delay in processing or be returned to the sender. Due to high volumes at the beginning of the semester, it is strongly recommended that textbooks be sent to the student's home address so that they will have their books when classes begin.

For more details, visit our [Incoming Students page](#).

Elon Votes

[The Council on Civic Engagement at Elon](#) makes voter registration easy for students who are eligible to vote in U.S. elections.

At Elon, our mission includes the preparation of students to be global citizens and informed leaders motivated by concern for the common good. We take that mission very seriously and we know that an important part of civic engagement includes exercising your right to vote and making your voice heard.

Many students choose to register in their home state and request an absentee ballot. Others may choose to update their address to register to vote using a local campus address. Either way, the university has made it easy through the [Elon Votes website](#) and a partnership with TurboVote, a one-stop location for registering to vote and requesting an absentee ballot, no matter where in the country you are from.

**MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD
THIS ELECTION DAY**

Register to vote or request an
absentee ballot today.

elon.edu/vote

Elon Votes!

The Inn at Elon

The Inn at Elon is prepared for your safe arrival back to campus this fall. Enhanced cleanliness measures are in place throughout the hotel and Executive Chef Jeff Miller has crafted new and indulgent menus at The Mark at Elon restaurant. We look forward to a fantastic fall semester and hope you will join us for a "Stay With a Purpose" by joining us for a meal at The Mark or enjoying a lively cocktail on our outdoor Mullin Terrace or during your overnight stay.

Learn more about the comprehensive cleanliness measures in place at The Inn at Elon or make your reservations by visiting [our website](#). You can also follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) to get the latest updates.

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