ELON UNIVERSITY



This e-newsletter is sent to the families of current Elon students by the Office of Parent Engagement.

Residence Life Holiday Break Information

University residence halls (not apartments) will be closed for Thanksgiving Break Nov. 20-28. Residence halls (not apartments) will be closed for Winter Break Dec. 11 to Jan. 2. In addition, most dining facilities will be closed during break periods.

Students who need to stay late or return early must complete a request. For more information, please visit our website.

Break Shuttle Service



The Moseley Center will once again operate their airport shuttle service for upcoming break times. To view more information and reserve your student's seat, <u>click here</u>. Online reservations will close Monday, Nov. 8 for Thanksgiving Break and for the Holiday Break, the online reservations will close on Nov. 28.

Additionally, Moseley Center coordinates a chartered bus to transport students to the Washington, D.C. area for Thanksgiving break. Only a few spots remain. More information can be found here.

Festival of Lights & Luminaries Returns Nov. 30



Elon's Festival of Lights and Luminaries is one of our community's most cherished traditions. It began as a simple ceremony more than 30 years ago and has grown into a magical evening enjoyed by students, alumni, faculty, staff and community members alike.

You and your student(s) can be part of this special event by <u>making a gift</u> to any designation by Friday, Nov. 12. Your student(s) will then be honored on a luminary that will be displayed at the Festival of Lights and Luminaries. Your gift can support any area of campus and you can also include a personal message that will be emailed to your student on the day of the event.

The Elon community will gather on Tuesday, Nov. 30 in fellowship to walk the beautifully lit pathways and celebrate the transition of the seasons together. We invite you to look at photos from last year's event.

Celebrate your student's accomplishments this semester by giving back and lighting the way for future students.

Mail Services

Students love getting mail and packages from family and friends. To ensure a timely and efficient process, please be sure to include the student's first and last name along with the campus box number when sending items.

We encourage students to use their home address for shipping items if the delivery date is around Winter Break. Mail Services will not be responsible for

forwarding packages if an item is not delivered or picked up prior to when they leave campus.

University addresses are not able to have mail automatically forwarded through USPS; therefore, students studying abroad for spring semester or graduating in December will need to update their address directly with any companies or subscriptions.

Questions? Visit <u>www.elon.edu/mail</u>, call **336-278-5433** or email mailservices@elon.edu.

Study Abroad and Study USA

Reminder that applications are open for summer and fall 2022 study abroad and Study USA! Applications no longer require a \$400 application deposit.

<u>Study USA</u> programs are accepting rolling applications, as space is available, for Elon in D.C., Elon in L.A. and Elon in N.Y.C.

Study Abroad programs are accepting early action applications until Nov. 18. A student should apply by this date especially if they're considering a competitive fall program (the Center in London, the Center in Florence, programs in Barcelona or DIS Copenhagen), or if they'd like an earlier answer on their application status (December) and Elon Global Scholarship support (January). All applications, whether submitted Early Action or Rolling, are non-binding until the posted withdrawal deadline.

For families preparing for their student's winter or spring study abroad or Study USA, the Isabella Cannon Global Education Center (GEC) will continue to be in touch with students directly about pre-departure preparations.

Study Abroad and Study USA advisors host drop-in hours Monday through Friday, 2-4 p.m., available in person or on Zoom. <u>Learn more from the GEC</u> website.

Students and parents alike can also reach the GEC anytime during business hours by phone (336-278-6700) or by chat, available from any elon.edu/global webpage.

Upcoming Service Opportunities with Kernodle Center

Last year, opportunities to engage with the Alamance County community were limited due to COVID-19. Fortunately this year the <u>Kernodle Center for Civic Life</u> has been able to reconnect with the local community and Elon students are once again able to make a positive impact.

We have a steady stream of possibilities for afterschool mentoring and tutoring opportunities with local youth through the Boys and Girls Club and Burlington Housing Authority. Our Campus Kitchen program runs weekly cooking shifts in Lakeside Dining Hall that produce meals for food insecure individuals through our local homeless shelter Allied Churches. Habitat for Humanity offers weekly build shifts most Saturday mornings throughout the school year for student volunteers.

In addition, If your student is looking to do something meaningful this spring break, we will be re-launching our Alternative Spring Break program. Alternative Breaks will be running four different programs (Washington DC, Asheville, Atlanta and Nashville) for students over spring break and applications will open in November. Students are encouraged to sign up for our weekly electronic newsletter so that they can learn more about opportunities to engage in our community.

Elon Dining



Happy Fall from Elon Dining! Our dining team is excited to bring new harvest flavors to our menus using only the best, locally sourced ingredients.

To learn more about our new menus, as well as our Food Dollar Promotion from that runs through Nov. 8, you can follow us on social media here:

Instagram | Facebook | Twitter, and check out our website:

www.elondining.com

Elon Phoenix Virtual 5K



Join us for the Second Annual Phoenix Club Virtual 5K from Nov. 20-28 to support Elon student-athlete scholarships!

No crowds, no traffic, no restroom lines and no 6 a.m. alarm. Choose your own route outside or on a treadmill and run, jog or walk the 3.1 miles to complete the virtual race.

Make a gift of at least \$30 to receive the race pack which includes a long sleeve t-shirt, a race bib and a decal.

Click here to register by Nov. 10!

The Inn at Elon



Elon University recently celebrated the highly-anticipated <u>dedication for The Inn at Elon</u>, the on-campus, four-star 80-room hotel and restaurant made possible by the generous support of nearly 60 families.

The hotel is designed to make your visit to Elon University comfortable and convenient, so you can make the most of your time with your student. The Inn is located right on campus, includes free parking and complimentary bike rental for guests and even offers pet-friendly rooms so your furry friend can come along. As an added bonus, all profits from The Inn at Elon are dedicated to student scholarships.

As the holidays approach, The Mark at Elon extends a warm welcome for your family gatherings and holiday celebrations. The Mark offers delicious American favorites with a Southern twist, driven by local ingredients and refined service. Make a reservation today!

To learn more about our special packages or to make reservations visit: www.theinnatelon.com. You can also follow us on Facebook and Instagram to get the latest updates.

Upcoming Events

See the <u>2021-22 academic calendar</u> and the <u>university's cultural calendar</u> for upcoming event dates. You can also see a <u>full listing of on-campus events</u> on the <u>Today at Elon website</u>.

Below, we've highlighted dates that may be of interest to you and your student:

Nov. 5-7: Homecoming & Reunion Weekend Nov. 20-28: Thanksgiving Holiday Break Nov. 30: Festival of Lights & Luminaries

Dec. 6-10: Fall Semester Exams Jan. 4: Winter Classes Begin



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