Finals Week Preparation

In just a few short weeks, students will be gearing up for final examinations, scheduled to begin on Friday, December 10 and continue through Thursday, December 16. While the end of the semester can be an exciting opportunity for your student to show what they have learned throughout the semester, we know that it can also be a very stressful time during a student’s academic career.

It is important to remind your student to practice healthy habits in the days leading up to their exams. Some healthy habits to encourage would be getting a healthy amount of sleep (7-9 hours)
and eating healthy meals to provide fuel for their body. These are the first steps toward a great exam week!

Additionally, University Libraries are a great spot for your student to review for their exams. Some libraries even offer extended hours during finals week. You can find a full list of locations and hours for University Libraries by clicking the link below.

We wish all students a healthy and successful rest of the semester!

**Buckeye Road Trip**

The Buckeye Road Trip is a reduced-cost busing service designed to bring students to cities in and out of Ohio during specific breaks. These cities currently include Cleveland, Cincinnati, Toledo, Chicago, Pittsburgh and Philadelphia. Sponsored by Undergraduate Student Government, Buckeye Road Trip offers trips for Thanksgiving Break and Spring Break.

This Thanksgiving Break, all trips will depart from the Ohio Union on Tuesday, November 23 at 5:00 p.m., and return trips will depart their destination locations on Sunday, November 28. The return times on Sunday vary depending on the location.

All payments associated with the trips are non-refundable. $25 will be charged for roundtrips to Cleveland, Cincinnati, Toledo and Pittsburgh. $65 will be charged for the Philadelphia and Chicago roundtrips. A one way service rate is not offered. If a student wishes to take the bus from campus to a
destination and find another way back, they are welcomed to do so. The cost, however, remains the same.

You can reach the Buckeye Road Trip team at SL-USGBuckeyeRoadTrip@osu.edu (please cc Linton.85 and/or Parker.1562) or call the USG office at 614-292-4380 during business hours.

To register for a Buckeye Road Trip, click the button below. Students will be asked to use their Ohio State username (lastname.#) and password to log in.

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**Internship Funding for Students in College of Arts and Sciences**

Students often face financial barriers to participating in internships due to reasons like having to quit or reduce hours at an existing job, the high cost of living in an expensive city or transportation needs. Students enrolled in the College of Arts and Sciences who have secured a career building experience (like an internship or research role) that is unpaid or minimally paid are invited to apply for the spring Career Accelerator Fund. This fund is designed to help students in the College of Arts and Sciences participate in high impact activities that advance their professional goals.

The first round of applications is for students who have secured an internship for Spring semester. The application period runs from now through November 30, 2021. Learn more about the application process and the specifics of the Career
Accelerator Fund on the Career Success website, and be sure to share this opportunity with your student.

Spring 2022 Career Fair

The annual Spring Career Fair will be in person on January 18 and virtual on January 19, 2022, and we know how quickly that will arrive. Now is the perfect time to encourage your student to have their resume reviewed, to meet with a Career Coach or advisor, and to begin researching which employers have registered to participate. Attending employers recruit across a broad range of disciplines. There will be many private sector companies recruiting for business and technical functions, opportunities for science and technology students in medical and industrial settings, and computer science and engineering roles. Federal and State government agencies will also be well represented offering opportunities in administration, fiscal management, technology, diplomacy, and law enforcement and security related functions.

Registration is not required, but is strongly encouraged.

Preparing for Winter Weather

With winter weather season quickly approaching, please review the following guidelines and safety
tips:

Information or official announcements regarding class cancellations or campus closures will be available at the following:

- [emergency.osu.edu](http://emergency.osu.edu)
- [osu.edu](http://osu.edu)
- Twitter: @OSU_EMFP
- Facebook: OSUEmergency

Here are a few things to remember as winter weather nears:

- Snow and ice are very common as we saw earlier this week, so please make sure your student is prepared and is giving themselves enough time to get to class or work safely.
- Off-campus residents should check their lease or ask landlords about snow removal as it could be THEIR responsibility to clear sidewalks in front of their house. We ask that they be respectful of their fellow students and help them to get to campus safely.
- On campus, the university has approximately 2,000 tons of salt on hand to treat roadways and walkways. The 142 miles of campus sidewalk and 30 miles of campus roads take nearly four hours to clear one time and our facilities crew will do their best to keep pathways clear.
- Garage rooftops will be closed if snow and/or ice cause the surface to be excessively slick.
- Surface parking lots will have reduced parking spaces to accommodate large piles of snow.
- Please ensure that your student plans accordingly by arriving to campus early. They may need to park in a different lot than they are accustomed to and are encouraged to check [CampusParc's website](http://CampusParc.com) for parking impact information.
Announcing Buckeye Block Watch

Safety enhancements in the off-campus area are making an impact. We continue to introduce new measures as part of our community-based, holistic approach to safety and security. On November 5, Ohio State announced the launch of Buckeye Block Watch, which supports the idea of Buckeyes and our University District community members coming together to create a safer, more welcoming neighborhood.

Members of Buckeye Block Watch will patrol the off-campus area and offer resources and information while reporting suspicious activity. They are given training in how to deal with difficult situations and learn best practices for public engagement, including mental health responses, first aid and CPR. Training also includes information specific to the University District, and they will be responsible for recording streetlight outages and other environmental concerns.