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PARENT & FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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Message from the Vice President for Student Development & Dean of Students

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Dear Parents and Families,

We are coming to the mid-point in the semester and following this message you will find some important dates and available resources for students. The staff is preparing for room draw and fall registration.

I want to share with you one of the exciting programs that recently took place which involved the students. We held the 27th annual Exercise and Sport Sciences & Athletics symposium. I have attached a link where you will find more details about this event.

<https://colby-sawyer.edu/sport-management/symposium>

Also approaching is truly one of my favorite times on campus where the college community sets aside time to view and listen to the amazing work by the senior students. The annual Susan Colby Colgate Scholars' Symposium will be held on Monday, April 22, and Tuesday, April 23, in locations across campus. Students from across all majors and programs will present their scholarly and creative works. The symposium features the capstone projects of our students as well as some work by underclass students. These capstone projects are designed to allow students to demonstrate their accumulated knowledge and the learning outcomes of the major and a liberal arts education. We cordially welcome you, your families and friends to attend this Symposium.

Sincerely,

Robin Burroughs Davis, JD

IMPORTANT NEWS FROM RESIDENTIAL EDUCATION

It's hard to believe, but it's almost time for students to select their housing for 2019-20! On Monday, March 18, students will receive an email with all the information they'll need to participate in Room Draw, the online process through which they'll sign their annual room and board contract and select their room and roommates for next year. If your student has questions about Room Draw, please direct them to the March 18th email. The email will include a link to the Room Draw site on myColby-Sawyer, which has detailed information about the process and a lengthy Frequently Asked Questions list. The actual room selection will take place in April.

Back in January, we emailed students to let them know that if they need special housing accommodation next year due to a disability, they need to apply for the accommodation through the office of Access Resources, even if they currently have a housing accommodation. Those requests and the supporting documentation are due to Access Resources by Friday, March 22. The request form can be found at: <https://colby-sawyer.edu/access-resources>.

It's also important to remember that students who entered the college in Fall, 2017 or later are required to live on campus unless they have been granted an exception to our residency requirement, which can be found at <https://colby-sawyer.edu/assets/resed/Residency-Requirement.pdf>. Students who entered the college in Spring, 2017 or earlier may choose to live off campus. If they choose a room during the Room Draw process, they may break their contracts without penalty by May 15. After May 15, they will be responsible for paying the full cost of room and board for the year.

We know this can be a stressful process for students, especially if this is their first time selecting room. Please know that we are working hard to give them all the information they need to be successful. And please remind them to check their email daily throughout March and April!

Mary McLaughlin, director

IMPORTANT CALENDAR DATES AND INFORMATION FROM ACADEMIC ADVISING

Sunday, March 17, 9 am, Residence Halls open

Friday, March 29, Deadline to withdraw from classes

Monday – Wednesday, March 25 – 27, Fall and Summer Registration

Registration begins on Monday, March 25. Students will want to meet with advisors prior to their assigned registration date to discuss summer and fall classes. The best tool students have to know if they are on track to graduate is their "planning worksheet." Students can access their own planning worksheets on Argos. If they have trouble finding their worksheet, they can contact the Help Desk for assistance.

Midterm grades will be posted on PowerCampus by midnight on Wednesday, March 20. Midterm grades are only required for first year students and students receiving less than a C at midterm. Students who do not see a grade posted should talk to their professors if they are unsure about their grade in the course. If students have a low midterm grade in any course, they should do the following:

1. Make a plan for improvement. This plan may include one-on-one help from professor, working with tutors in the Student Learning Collaborative (SLC) which is referred to below, or seeking assistance on time management or study skills from the SLC.

2. Make an appointment with their academic advisor for guidance. Academic advisors can help with an improvement plan, or (in certain circumstances) they may recommend students withdraw from the course and start fresh another semester.

For more information about academic advising at CSC, see: <https://colby-sawyer.edu/academics/advising>

Kathleen Farrell, Ph.D., faculty advising liaison

IMPORTANT NEWS FROM THE STUDENT LEARNING COLLABORATIVE

Crunch time will be here soon and many students will be busy working on projects, finishing up Capstones, writing papers, and will be registering for fall classes. If your students are concerned about how these last weeks will play out academically, the Student Learning Collaborative (SLC) is a great resource. We offer writing consultations, one-on-one course content tutoring, study skills consultations, and study groups. To learn more, students can find our tutoring calendar here: <http://library.colby-sawyer.edu/SLCOnline>. Students can also reach SLC staff by emailing learning@colby-sawyer.edu or stopping by room 501 in the library.

Caren Baldwin-DiMeo, director

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM STUDENT SUCCESS AND RETENTION

The time change and increased sunshine will soon be lifting all of our spirits as our long winter draws to a close. Students welcome the time off during spring break after putting in several weeks of hard work! However, occasionally students have a difficult time returning from break, especially first year students. Many students will have spent time with old friends or family, slept in their own bed, and eaten their favorite foods. It can be tough to leave home, even if they enjoy their time at CSC. To help them reintegrate and enjoy their remaining weeks, encourage your student to:

- stay on campus most weekends
- take adventures in the local community (New London, Concord, Hanover, etc.)
- get involved with friends and clubs
- attend campus events
- work out, sleep, and eat regularly
- use their academic supports on campus

Happy (almost!) Spring,
Erica Webb, director of Student Success and Retention

FINANCIAL SERVICES OFFICE

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- ❖ Summer tuition due by May 1, 2019
- ❖ Summer Internships due by June 1, 2019
- ❖ Fall- New student tuition due by July 15, 2019
- ❖ Fall - Returning student tuition due by August 1, 2019
- ❖ Spring - All students tuition due by December 1, 2019

“THE STABLE” COLLEGE STORE



Attention Parents and Families of Seniors!

The week of March 18 is Grad Fair at The Stable. If your student plans to participate in Colby-Sawyer's Commencement ceremony on May 11, he or she needs to visit the store to order regalia (which is provided to all students at no further cost). Also available this week are diploma frames, offered at a 15% discount, both in the store and online at shop.colby-sawyer.edu. For those who are interested, a rep from Josten's will be offering class rings on Wednesday and Thursday, March 20 and 21, from 10 to 3. Have questions?

Contact store manager Alison Seward at 603-526-1869, alison.seward@colby-sawyer.edu.

Remember you can shop anytime [The STABLE - Colby-Sawyer's Campus Store](#)