If your student has not done so already, encourage them to get in touch with their roommate to plan who is bringing what for their room.

(8/19) Move-in!
(8/19) Participate in the Blue Gold Welcome activities for parents & families: Family Orientation, Convocation, the Chancellor’s Picnic, and of course, the Blue Gold Showcase.
(8/22) First Day of Classes.
Encourage your student to participate in Blue Gold Welcome and other student events throughout the first 6 weeks.
E-bill notifications will be sent to student’s Lopermail account.
Encourage your student to identify challenging courses early and visit the Learning Commons tutors (second floor of the library).
If your student needs assistance developing stronger study skills or time management skills, have him or her reach out to a Success Coach (second floor of the library).

(9/5) Labor Day: No class! Sometimes coming back to class after this weekend can be difficult. Please support your student as they make their transition back to college life again.
(9/5-9/23) Weeks 3-5 are when first papers and first tests are often scheduled. Encourage students to seek academic support before the test.
Suggest to your student to complete their roommate agreement this month to navigate the waters of successfully living together.
Encourage your student to attend residence hall CAN meeting to meet and greet with other residents on Tuesday nights. Your student’s RA will have details.
Check-in with Academic and Career Services to have their freshman hold removed from their account in order to prepare for academic advising.
(9/21) Tuition and fees are DUE for Fall 2016 classes. Your student can pay online through their MyBlue account, or in person at the Finance Office in Founders Hall, Room 135.
(9/19-2/24) Homecoming week! Residence Halls are very active during this week with fun homecoming games and activities. Join your student on Saturday 9/24 for the Homecoming Parade in the morning and then enjoy the Loper game that afternoon!
OCTOBER:
- (10/10-10/24) Midterms typically happen at this time—encourage your student to reach out to tutors a week before the test.
- (10/17-10/18) Fall Break, and no classes!
- (10/19) Academic advising begins—students must meet with their academic advisor prior to registering for classes.
- (10/21) Last day for students to drop a full semester class with a “W” (withdrawal) instead of a grade.
- (10/24) Class Registration begins according to class standing.

Students tend to experience homesickness in October, so encourage students to get involved with activities on campus. Counseling services, located in the Memorial Student Affairs Building, are available if your child needs additional support.

NOVEMBER:
- (11/14) General class registration opens.
- (11/23-25) Thanksgiving break means finals are just around the corner. Make sure your student uses their resources like the Learning Commons and tutors to have a successful Finals Week.
- Ask your student if they have completed an audit with their Academic Advisor to ensure they are on track to graduate in four years. Academic & Career Services can assist if they need additional support in this area.

DECEMBER:
- December will push your student’s time management skills. Have them visit a Success Coach to develop a study plan for Dead Week and Finals Week.
- (12/5-12/9) Dead Week—otherwise known as the week prior to Finals that gives students the chance to prepare.
- (12/12-12/15) Finals Week
- (12/15 @ 5:00 pm) Some of the Residence Halls close for break.