Florida Atlantic University
Parent and Family Weekend 2016
Boca Raton Schedule of Events

Registration & Questions Schedule
Student Union Lobby
All registered Parent and Family Weekend participants should check in to pick up their materials, including the Registration Packet, Schedule of Events, Tickets, and PFW T-shirt!

Friday, Sept. 23: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 24: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Have questions throughout the weekend? Stop back here we are happy to help!

Friday, Sept. 23

9 a.m. - 10 p.m.
★ Campus Recreation Center Family Pass
*Sponsored by Campus Recreation
Check out our state-of-the-art facility where students, faculty, staff, and alumni can meet, workout, relax, and enjoy being a part of the FAU campus life. Parent and guests of Parent and Family Weekend gain free access with their registration throughout the weekend. Be sure to relax with your family poolside at our 17,000 sq. ft. lap & leisure pool.

10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
★ Owl Experience Showcase
Student Union Lobby
You know the services, now what? This service showcase is tailored toward learning and discussing how your role has changed during your student’s transition. Stop by different tables in the Student Union lobby to meet with different departments and how you can support your student through these different areas as they continue at FAU.

10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
★ Keep Calm and Play Ping Pong
Student Union
Stop by the Student Union and play a game of Ping-Pong or Pool! This building is the foundation of campus life. Make sure your student has their Owl Card to pick up the gear at the Information Desk.

10 a.m. - 11 a.m.
★ Family Open Climb: Challenge Course
*Sponsored by Campus Recreation
FAU is proud to host the only climbing center in all of Palm Beach County. Our outdoor facility has an inclined bouldering wall and a 30 ft. tall rock wall. Our rock wall is full of exhilarating features and routes built for any climber from beginner to expert. Stop by our Challenge Course for a fun activity with your student!

12 p.m. - 1 p.m.
★ Meet the Parents!
House Chambers
Join Health and Wellness for an interactive presentation and discussion on the challenges and joys of parenting college students.

1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
★ OPA Welcome Lunch
Live Oak
Join your fellow Owl Parent Association members at this OPA sponsored Pizza Lunch. This is a great opportunity to meet other Owl Parents and mingle with the OPA Parents Advisory Board.

2 p.m. - 3 p.m.
★ OPA General Meeting
Live Oak
If you are attending Parent and Family Weekend, you are a member of the Owl Parent Association! The OPA will host their annual general meeting following the Welcome Lunch. Take advantage of the many volunteer opportunities and stay engaged with FAU and your student throughout the years!

★ Parent and Family Signature Event
★ Explore with your Family
1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
★ Walter Hnatysh Survey: The Florida Years 1989-2016 Art Exhibition
Schmidt Center Gallery
This survey exhibition presents the work of former Florida Atlantic University Professor of Painting, Walter Hnatysh.

1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
★ A.E. Backus and Florida’s Highwaymen: History, Commerce and Art Exhibition
Ritter Art Gallery
A.E. Backus and Florida’s Highwaymen: History, Commerce and Art brings to the public new scholarly insights into the work of “Bean” Backus, Florida’s preeminent landscape painter, and the Highwaymen, 26 African-American artists, influenced to varying degrees by Backus.

3 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Student Government State of the Campus Address
House Chambers
Governor Hamilton Ezell, IV will be reporting to the student body of the Boca Raton campus on the current state of our campus and the list of proposals for agenda items that will improve student life both short-term and long-term. In addition, it is an opportunity to educate the students and honored guests about the different student programs on the campus and how they can benefit each and every students’ four years.

3 p.m. - 4 p.m.
★ Campus Tours
Student Union Lobby
Want to see more of FAU? Use this tour as an opportunity to become more acquainted with the Boca Raton campus. This tour is lead by an FAU Orientation Leader. The tour will conclude at the FAU Bookstore just in time for the Shopping Event!

3 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Leadership Studies Minor Mixer
Grand Palm Room
This mixer is open to attendees of Parent and Family Weekend. The Leadership Studies Minor Mixer allows parents, students, and guests a glimpse into academic life at Florida Atlantic University. Guests will hear from a panel of student leaders who are involved in various leadership roles and opportunities on campus. Faculty will discuss the interdisciplinary Leadership Studies Minor and Elite Owl will facilitate networking activities with student attendees. Light refreshments will be served.

4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
★ Parent and Family Shopping Event
*Sponsored by FAU Bookstore
FAU Bookstore
Stop by the FAU Bookstore for an exclusive shopping event. *Details pending

6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
★ Parent and Family Welcome Reception
*Co-sponsored by the Alumni Association
Culture and Society Building
Dr. Corey A. King, Vice President for Student Affairs, and the Alumni Association invite you to officially kick off Florida Atlantic University’s Parent and Family Weekend 2016. You will not want to miss this multi-level reception featuring delectable hors d’oeuvres and wine at this drop-in event.

8 p.m. - 10 p.m.
★ Rhythm and Blue
*Sponsored by FAU Program Board
Live Oak Patio
Listen to music by singer/songwriter Levi Stephens, LIVE at the FAU Student Union. Join us for activities and fun as you spend time with your family outside under the stars.

Saturday, Sept. 24

7 a.m. - 11 a.m.
★ Heart Walk- American Heart Association
Palm Beach County
West Palm Beach
The FAU community participates in the Palm Beach County Heart Walk every year as a team of students, faculty, and staff. Please join the fight against heart disease and stroke as a walker to raise awareness.
*Advanced registration required

11 a.m. - 12 p.m.
★ Family Yoga
Campus Recreation
Join Campus Recreation for a yoga session fun for the whole family! Connect with your mind, body, and spirit in this fitness based yoga class designed for all levels.
2 - 6 p.m.
★ Family Tailgate
FAU Stadium
Please join us for a pregame BBQ tailgate filled with music, fun and games for the entire family! As we prepare to cheer on the FAU Owls to victory, visit with Owlsley, FAU parents, and the FAU community. The Doyle Brothers will provide live music while you play corn hole and visit with family and friends.
*Event is subject to change based on weather conditions

2 p.m. - 5 p.m.
★ Family Service Project
FAU Stadium
The Weppner Center for LEAD & Service-Learning invites you, your student, and your family to join us as we spend some time giving back to our OWL community. Join the ranks of hundreds of students who have volunteered throughout the years at FAU Day of Service.

6 p.m.
★ FAU Owls vs. Ball State
FAU Stadium
Support the FAU Football team with their game against Ball State! Make sure to take your tickets to the game and enter the stadium at the correct gate. It is encouraged to be in your seats at least 20 minutes before kick off for this experience. Please join us during half time as Parent and Family Programs will randomly select a Family of the Year to be announced!

2 p.m. - 9 p.m.
★ Snap a Photo at the Schnellenberger Statue
Inside the FAU Stadium
Howard Schnellenberger has made a huge impact on the Florida Atlantic University football program, through building the program and helping FAU become the youngest team in NCAA history to be invited to a bowl game. Now the field in which FAU plays, honors Schnellenberger's name. See if you can find the statue in the stadium and snap a photo with your family to commemorate Parent and Family Weekend!

2 p.m. - 9 p.m.
★ Chill out at the Stadium Beach
Inside the FAU Stadium
A fun fact about the FAU Stadium is that from the top of the stadium, you can see the beach! But at FAU, we brought the beach to you! Inside the FAU stadium is a mini “beach”, see if you can find it and snap a photo hanging out with your family on the lawn chairs!

4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
★ A Guide to Innovation Village
Innovation Village Apartments
Located next to the FAU stadium stop by IVA for a short guided-tour of one of our upperclassmen apartment communities. You’ve already moved your student into their freshmen residence, now learn about the several different upperclassmen housing options, as Housing and Residential Life will share ways to Live in the Heart of Campus Life!

Sunday, Sept. 25

7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
★ Nature Walk Through Tortuga Tail
Tortuga Trail
Round up your family for a beautiful walk through FAU’s nature preserve, Tortuga Trail. This self-guided walk will take you through three different paths.

11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
★ Brunch with the Deans
Live Oak Pavilion
FAU offers over 180 different degree programs amongst 10 distinguished colleges. The Deans of FAU invite you to attend a send-off brunch in closing of Parent and Family Weekend. Take this opportunity to meet the Deans of the colleges and learn about the exciting developments taking place within each academic division in this casual and elegant reception.

Family Opportunities during Game Day!

2 p.m. - 9 p.m.
★ Snap a Photo at the Owlsley Statue
Campus Recreation
If you are at the tailgate, you are already on this side of campus! Grab your camera and bring your family to the Owlsley Statue, located on the west side of Campus Recreation.

2 p.m. - 9 p.m.
★ Tiki Bar at the Hyundai Deck
Inside the FAU Stadium
FAU has a Tiki bar! Stop by and grab some game day treats while you cheer the Owls to victory.
Noon -10 p.m.

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1 p.m.-4 p.m.

★ Beat the Heat at Palmetto Beach
Explore one of Boca Raton’s beautiful beaches with your family.

1 p.m.-4 p.m.

★ University Commons
Across the street from Florida Atlantic University is the University Commons Shopping Center, where you can find Bed Bath and Beyond, Whole Foods, and much more!

1 p.m.-4 p.m.

★ Town Center Mall, Simon Mall
Just two miles West of FAU take a walk through this indoor and outdoor mall filled with outstanding stores and restaurants with your family before heading home.

★ Owl Tip
You’ve had a fun filled weekend filled with tons of activity. Use this Sunday to explore Boca Raton with your student. See what types of places they like to spend time off campus and explore the community together!