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P.F.A. Mission

Developing a dynamic collaborative relationship with our university parents and families, leading to an enhanced learning environment and student success. Striving to provide:

- **INVOLVEMENT** opportunities for our parents and families who seek more University participation.
- **INFORMATION** targeted to the needs and interests of our parents and families.
- Additional **SUPPORT** to parents and families as they encourage their students to take full advantage of University resources and opportunities.

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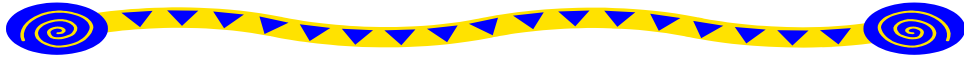


We want to hear from you!
Don't forget to complete our online survey if you haven't already! Thank you!

Holiday Suggestions for Parents of College Students

Parents look forward to having their college student home for the long December break, but the reality of holiday reunions frequently fails to match expectations. It is not easy to slip back into traditional family patterns when students have been gone for a few months. Parents might consider some of the following suggestions to make the transition less stressful for the whole family.[more](#)

Involvement



Zips Athletics

Join us in supporting our athletes! [*Please click here for complete UofA sports schedule*](#)

Arts & Entertainment

Got Art? The University of Akron does!

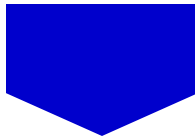
Check out the following websites for more information:

[EJ Thomas Performing Arts Hall & Akron Civic Theatre](#)

[School of Music - Kulas Concert Series](#)

[School of Dance, Theatre, and Arts](#)

[**Myers** School of Art](#)



Information

Academic Dates and Deadlines

December 23, 2006—January 13, 2007 ~ Winter Break

January 16, 2007 ~ Spring Semester begins

January 22, 2007 ~ Last day to register for spring classes

[**Please click here to view the full Academic Calendar.**](#)

Working On Campus

Your student may be attempting to find a job on campus. There are many opportunities. Almost every department on campus has student employees. Here are a few suggestions for finding that on-campus job fitting the needs, interests, and schedule of the student:

1. Identify the type of employment your student wants:

- Would your student like a position related to their career goals, or perhaps an interest or hobby they have?
- How many hours per week are they available to work?
- Would they like to work in their academic department?
- Is there a professor or administrator whose research or other professional responsibilities are of interest?

2. Frequently check all the available resources:

- Student employment website at Student Financial Aid:
<http://www.uakron.edu/finaid/docs/Jobs-ON-Campus.pdf>
- Check ZipMail every week at <https://www.uakron.edu/zipmail/>
- Browse through the job postings at the Buchtelite (school newspaper) website:
<http://www.buchtelite.com/>
- Encourage your student to drop by the departmental offices they have an interest in, indicating they are searching for an on-campus job. (This may take some time and requires some assertiveness, but is probably the most effective method.)
- If your student is a member of a student organization, indicate to the Faculty Advisor they are searching for a job. He or she may have some ideas.
- Share your employment interest with your academic advisor.
- If eligible for Work/Study through the federal government, take advantage of it! Some departments only employ Work/Study eligible students.

Finding the one job your student needs requires some communication with key people, P.F.A. can help your student if needed! Feel free to email us with any questions!



Support

Call anytime and talk with our P.F.A. Intern, *Kirsten Fitzgerald*,
or leave a brief message and we'll return your call as soon as possible.

P.F.A. info. line: **(330)972-6986** or email us at: **pfa@uakron.edu**

In case of an emergency,
please contact the University Police at:
(330)972-7123

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