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Sent: Monday, February 7, 2022 10:29 AM

To: families@lists.southernct.edu

Subject: [Families] Parent/Family Update II Week 4 II February 7th

Attachments: ATT00001.txt

Dear Parents and Families,

We are heading into the fourth week of the Spring 2022 semester. This would be an ideal time to check-in with your students regarding their academic progress. Often, this is an incredibly important time in regards to the academic success of a student. We've moved past the introductory phase of a course's content and begin delving into more challenging concepts and rigorous assignments. At this point, students will see more significant assignments that have either been due or will be due.

Students should know that they are not alone in striving to achieve their goals. Encourage them to connect with their professors when they have questions! We also want to highlight our Center of Academic Success and Accessibility Service (CASAS) which offers incredible support to students. It is important to see CASAS not only as a place where students can find help when they are struggling but also as a place to help them improve and strive for excellence.

Consider this:

- Depending on the course and type of academic support, students that attend three or more tutoring
 appointments often see an increase of a full letter grade improvement or more in their course as compared to
 students who do not utilize the services in CASAS.
- CASAS has over 100 academic specialists (tutors) averaging over 1000 hours of support weekly that primarily
 offer course specific support. In other words, many of the courses your students are taking have specific tutors
 for that course.
- Academic Coaches in CASAS help students beyond academic content focusing on managing time, exploring motivation, working on organizational skills, study habits, and so much more.
- The services come at NO COST.

To learn more, visit https://inside.southernct.edu/casas. If students would like to make an appointment, they can do so via Navigate (an app in their MySCSU portal), visit the 3rd floor of the library and schedule an appointment, or call 203 392 6828 and schedule an appointment over the phone.

Below are a few emails that students received recently.

If you have any questions, please let us know! We are here to help.

Sincerely,

Sal Rizza

Director of Orientation, Transition & Family Engagement

From he Chief of Police, Joe Dooley- Friday, February 4th

Welcome back and I hope you are having an enjoyable start of the Spring 2022 semester. The weather has been very cold but Spring is on the horizon. I would like to share some very important information regarding **safety** and emergency management and would very much appreciate a few moments of your time to review the information below. In this e-mail, I have included a few links to include responses to a variety of emergency situations but also want to call attention to and continue to promote the Southern LiveSafe Safety app. The LiveSafe app provides students, faculty and staff a direct connection to the Southern Police Department, campus resource information and a safe walk option to name a few features.

A link to a video regarding Active Aggressor/Hostile Intruder which covers the RUN, HIDE, FIGHT protocol is also included in this e-mail. It is very important to take a few minutes to watch this new video and review the one-page RUN, HIDE, FIGHT information sheet.

RUN, HIDE, FIGHT Video and Information Sheet : https://inside.southernct.edu/emergency-preparedness/weapons-on-campus-hostile-threats https://inside.southernct.edu/emergency-preparedness/weapons-on-campus-hostile-threats https://inside.southernct.edu/sites/default/files/inline-files/hostile-intruder-flyer.pdf

For more information on Southern LiveSafe and to download the mobile app for free, visit: http://www.southernct.edu/student-life/safety/livesafe.html

Please ensure your Southern Alert profile is updated as we periodically test this mass notification system as well as the Siren/ Public Address system. https://inside.southernct.edu/southernalert

Please note that only University Police https://inside.southernct.edu/university-police Officers and other Authorized Law Enforcement have the authority to possess guns or other weapons on campus as noted in the Faculty/Staff and Student Handbooks, University policy prohibits employees and students or their guests from possessing or storing a firearm or other weapons on campus.

Please see: https://www.southernct.edu/sites/default/files/a/inside-southern/human-resources/Firearm-Policy.pdf

Further, the definitions contained in the Connecticut General Statutes apply: Firearms, explosives, flammable substances and other weapons of any kind are not allowed on University property. This includes, but is not limited to rifles, shotguns, pistols, BB guns, pellet guns, paint ball guns, bows and arrows, stun guns, knives, and martial arts weapons.

The members of the Southern Police Department look forward to continuing to provide a safe environment for the Southern community. Please remember that a safe community is one that all members work in a coordinated way to increase everyone's overall safety and quality of life. It is important to keep in mind the phrase, "If You See Something, Say Something". Please do not hesitate to contact a member of the department if you have any questions or concerns.

Chief Joseph M. Dooley Southern Connecticut State University Police 501 Crescent St. New Haven, Ct. 06515 203-392-5375 FBINA 148th





Ongoing

Buley Library Display and Digital Exhibit: bell hooks

Buley Library until March 5

The death of the trailblazing Black feminist author, cultural critic, and activist bell hooks in December 2021 left a deep hole for those who have followed, admired, and been inspired by her speaking and writing over the years. In honor of her life and work, Buley Library created a small book display and digital exhibit. The physical display can be viewed on the First Floor of Buley Library and the digital exhibit can be accessed here: https://padlet.com/Buley/bellhooks.

Sponsored by: Buley Library

"Salvador Dali Illustrates The Divine Comedy"

Buley Library Art Gallery, Ground Floor

A complete set of illustrations of *The Divine Comedy* by Dante Alighieri by famed surrealist artist Salvador Dalí (1904 - 1989). The set contains 100 illustrations, and the set on display in Buley is numbered 68 out of 382 existing copies.

The illustrations are on view through April 7, 2022. Gallery hours are Monday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, contact Cort Sierpinski at Sierpinskic1@southernct.edu.

Sponsored by: Buley Library

Monday, February 7

12pm-1pm

Mending Mondays

Buley Library Ground Floor- Makerspace

Join us EVERY MONDAY of the semester to learn different types of self-directed crafts at the Makerspace. This semester will include instruction on hand-sewing, sewing machines, making bows & bowties, puppets, crochet, and cloth dyeing. We also encourage community members to bring in clothes or other garments to fix! Please email redlinek1@southernct.edu with any questions and follow our Instagram at SCSU_Makerspace for updates!

Sponsored by: Buley Library

4:30pm-7pm

MCC tries: Drawing/Coloring Flags

ASC Room 236

Join the MCC to draw and color your flag!

Sponsored by: Multicultural Center

7:00pm

Meet the Bros! (Greek Life Recruitment Event)

Come hang out with the brothers of Beta Mu Sigma Fraternity at our first recruitment event! Head to our Instagram at @betamusigma to access the event.

Sponsored by: Beta Mu Sigma Fraternity

7pm-11pm

The Met (Greek Life Recruitment Event)

EN A120

Come Meet the Sisters of Alpha Sigma Alpha Sorority!

Sponsored by: Alpha Sigma Alpha Sorority

7:30pm-8:30pm

Toxic Relationships

ASC Room 308

Come join the ladies of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. and VPAS Center to learn about the signs of being in a toxic relationship and what a healthy relationship should look like! The event will also be held virtually on WebEx! Check the link in our IG bio!

Sponsored by: Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

Tuesday, February 8

8:30am-10:30am

Good Morning Commuters

ASC Room 217 Resource Room

Good morning, commuters! Stop by ASC 217 for a free grab and go hot breakfast before you take on your day!

Sponsored by: The Office of Student Involvement and Leadership Development

10am-11am

Transfer Feel the Love

EN A120

Join Transfer Student Assistant Kaitlyn for Donut Crazy, valentine making, and feel the love we have for transfer students!

Sponsored by: Orientation, Transition & Family Engagement

10am-2pm

GYT!

Register HERE

Student Health Services

Come down to Student Health Services to get STD and HIV tested. Available to all students, appointments are <u>required</u> and can be made by scanning the QR code or by visiting StudenthealthEHR.southernct.edu We are located across the street from the Wintergreen building.

Sponsored by: Health Services

4:30pm-7pm

MCC Study Session

ASC Room 236

Come to the MCC for a study session. Make some friends while you do your work!

Sponsored by: Multicultural Center

5:30pm-7:30pm

Women's Basketball vs Pace University

Access Event HERE

Come cheer on the Owls as they take on Pace University!

Sponsored by: SCSU Athletics

6pm-7pm

Professional Lessons Learned from Alumni - College of Health and Human Services

Access Event

Join our panelists as they share lessons from their career journeys and personal experiences: Hear from alumni who are pursuing their passions and how they got there, gain personal insight on post-graduate life and various career paths, Students are invited to engage directly with alumni to ask questions according to their areas of expertise and interest.

Sponsored by: Career and Professional Development

7:00pm

Tuesday Night Trivia with Beta Mu Sigma (Greek Life Recruitment Event)

Come and answer some questions to win some prizes with Beta Mu Sigma Fraternity. Head to our Instagram at @betamusigma to access the event.

Sponsored by: Beta Mu Sigma Fraternity

7:30pm-9:30pm

Men's Basketball vs Pace University

Access Event HERE

Come cheer on the Owls as they take on Pace University!

Sponsored by: SCSU Athletics

7:30pm-9pm

Large Group Bible Study

ASC Room 301

Weekly gathering to explore and study passages from the bible relating to our lives as college students. All faith and cultural backgrounds welcomed!

Sponsored by: InterVarsity Christian Fellowship

7:45pm-10pm

Get to Know PNMS! (Greek Life Recruitment Event)

EN B121

Get to know the PNMs and also get to meet the sisters.

Sponsored by: Delta Phi Epsilon Sorority

Wednesday, February 9

10am-11am

Conversation Station-Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day

Access Event HERE

Tune in to our IG livestream for a new topic every month! You will get an opportunity to learn and ask questions regarding topics affecting the LGBTQ+ community. This month's topic is Black HIV/AIDS Awareness

Sponsored by: SAGE Center

12pm-2pm

3D Printing: The Basics

BU Room 118

This presentation will detail the history of 3D Printing and CAD software, projects created with 3D printing, and how to create and print 3D objects at the Buley Makerspace! At the end of the presentation, there will be an introduction to the CAD platform TinkerCAD.com. Please email redlinek1@southernct.edu if you have any questions and follow SCSU Makerspace on Instagram to keep updated!

Sponsored by: Buley Library

12pm-2pm

Card Making

ASC Plaza Level Table

Make a card to cheer up PCAO's child of the year Adrianna as she battles cancer!

Sponsored by: SCSU Pediatric Cancer Awareness Organization

12pm-2pm

Celebrate the Lunar New Year

EN B121

Join us for the annual Lunar New Year Celebration with a twist. This year celebrates the year of the Tiger where students can play jeopardy Lunar New Year style, win prizes, answer questions about the traditions and taboos that are part of this important holiday. Sponsored by the Asian Culture Society and the Multicultural Center.

Sponsored by: Multicultural Center

12:30pm-2:30pm

Black Herstory Month

EN Rotunda

Join us at our tabling events where we celebrate and learn about Black woman leaders who have contributed to the fight against sexual violence. Free candy given to those who participate.

Sponsored by: VPAS Center

12:30pm-1:30pm

Orientation Ambassador Info Session

ASC Room 217 Resource Room

Looking for a great leadership position on campus? Become an OA! Attending an info session is the first step to being an OA. Join the team and enhance your leadership skills while welcoming SCSU's newest Owls this summer.

Sponsored by: Orientation, Transition & Family Engagement

1pm-2pm

Hang with Hillel

ASC Room 227

Every Wednesday from 1-2pm, come Hang with Hillel in the Interfaith Office, ASC 227. Each week, we will do something different, from painting to playing games to hiking. We are stocking the office with games, adult coloring books, puzzles, paints, and most importantly, snacks!

Sponsored by: Hillel

1pm-2pm

New Club Workshop

Access Event HERE

Join us to learn about how to start a new club. This is a mandatory step to starting any new student organization.

Sponsored by: The Office of Student Involvement and Leadership Development

4:30pm-7pm

MCC Karaoke

ASC Room 234

Join the MCC for a karaoke night! Sing your favorite songs and meet new people

Sponsored by: Multicultural Center

5:30pm-7:30pm

Sit Down & Write

Access Event HERE

Sit Down & Write is a "Facilitated Writing" session. The idea is that we can have a dedicated time, every week, devoted to writing...or any other quiet creative activity. By scheduling it, and having a group, we can motivate ourselves to actually Sit Down & Write. We're using the Pomodoro Technique, which consists of 25-minute working sessions and 5-minute breaks: a time-tested technique that helps many people focus and accomplish tasks.

Sponsored by: Buley Library

7:45pm

Video Game Night with Beta Mu Sigma Fraternity (Greek Life Recruitment Event)

ASC 309

Join the brothers of Beta Mu Sigma Fraternity for a night of video game fun! We will have Switch, Playstation and Xbox available!

Sponsored by: Beta Mu Sigma Fraternity

Thursday, February 10

12pm-1pm

PB&J Thursday (Virtual)

Access Event HERE

Come join ProCon for virtual PB&J Thursday!! There will be a contest with a prize!!

Sponsored by: Programs Council

3pm-5pm

Sit Down & Write

Access Event **HERE**

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Sponsored by: Buley Library

4:30pm-6:30pm

Bringing it Home: Incorporating Local History into Connecticut's New Black & Latino Studies Curriculum Access Event HERE

The launch of this groundbreaking course offers a unique opportunity for teachers and students to use local and state history "wherever and whenever possible" while examining the history of Black and Brown people in our state and our nation. By considering the triumphs and challenges that were specific to Black and Latino Connecticans, students can use their own communities to better understand the past, contextualize the present, and gain new perspective on contemporary movements for social justice and change.

Sponsored by: Multicultural Center

4:30pm-7pm

MCC Tries: Valentines Edition

ASC Room 234

Join the MCC for a valentine's day event. Meet your new lover.

Sponsored by: Multicultural Center

6:00pm - 7:00pm

Professional Lessons Learned from Alumni - School of Business

Access Event

Join our panelists as they share lessons from their career journeys and personal experiences: Hear from alumni who are pursuing their passions and how they got there, gain personal insight on post-graduate life and various career paths, Students are invited to engage directly with alumni to ask questions according to their areas of expertise and interest.

Sponsored by: Career and Professional Development

6:22pm-7:22pm

Meet the Sisters!

ASC Room 201

A social gathering to allow students to get to know the ladies of the Sigma Gamma chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.

Sponsored by: Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.

7pm-8pm

Operation Smile: Guest Speaker

Guest speakers will be talking about their experiences with cleft conditions. Follow Operation Smile on Instagram at @scsu operationsmile to access the event.

Sponsored by: Operation Smile

7:20pm-9:20pm

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated Spring 2022 Informational

R.S.V.P. HERE

Come learn more about the ladies of the Psi Omicron Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated in their Spring 2022 Informational. All interested women are welcomed to come learn more about our organization! Business attire and resume is required! Please fill out the Google Form in our Instagram Bio @psiomicron zphib to RSVP for this event!

Sponsored by: Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated

7:30pm-9:30pm

Men's Basketball vs Bentley University

Access Event HERE

Come cheer on the Owls as they take on Bentley University!

Sponsored by: SCSU Athletics

Friday, February 11

11am-1pm

Let's Get Some Sweets with the Alphas

ASC Plaza Level

Fundraiser for ASA Foundation, get a treat for valentine's day for someone.

Sponsored by: Alpha Sigma Alpha Sorority

1:30pm-4pm

MCC Movie Night

ASC Room 234

Join the MCC for an afternoon of movie watching and chilling.

Sponsored by: Multicultural Center

6pm-8pm

Virtual Psychic Reading

Access Event HERE

Join Procon for a fun virtual psychic readings night! From 6-8pm, join our meeting and get your very own reading done. Hope to see you all there!!

Sponsored by: Programs Council

Saturday, February 12

1:30pm

Women's Basketball at Le Moyne College

Access Event HERE

Cheer on the Owls as they take on Le Moyne College!

Sponsored by: SCSU Athletics

3:00pm

Men's Basketball at Le Moyne College

Access Event HERE

Cheer on the Owls as they take on Le Moyne College!

Sponsored by: SCSU Athletics

3pm-5pm

Mancala and Mozzarella Sticks

Farnham Programming Space

Mancala is a multicultural game that has been around for centuries in ancient Africa and Asia. Join us in FPS in celebration of African culture and win some prizes. Oh, and mozz sticks!

Sponsored by: The Office of Residence Life

Sunday, February 13

7pm-9pm

Superbowl 2022

Farham Programming Space

Unwind and watch the most anticipated game of the year, Superbowl 2022! Enjoy snacks, half-time performances, and time with your peers in FPS!

Sponsored by: The Office of Residence Life

Resources and Information For Parents and Families

Please also consider the following resources:

Resources

We would also like to provide a number of links which have really good information that answers many of the questions you may have.

Helpful Links- https://inside.southernct.edu/parent-family/helpful-links, these are a number of helpful links that we have gathered specifically for parents/families that will be helpful now and in the future.

Resources- https://inside.southernct.edu/inside-southern, these is another general page filled with links that may be helpful!

Residence Life- https://inside.southernct.edu/residence-life, with so many questions regarding residence life, this may be a great place to find information!

Advising- https://inside.southernct.edu/advising, information regarding academic advising.

You were subscribed to this listserv as your email is listed in your student's profile based on their initial application to Southern.

The emails you will receive will include the information we send to your students, additional strategies specifically designed for parents/families and how they can best support their students and general information regarding the university.

As we will be intentional on the information we send, we will try not to "flood" your inbox and be very strategic on sending the most pertinent information. We also invite you to join our Parent/Family Facebook Group, https://www.facebook.com/groups/scsuparents/.

However, if you prefer not to receive future emails, please unsubscribe by visiting https://lists.southernct.edu/mailman/listinfo/families or simply reply to this email.