8:00 am-1:00 pm
Visit the Parents Association Table at Campus Check-in
McLane Center
Stop by the Parents Association Table while your son or daughter is checking in, to meet members of the Parents Advisory Board and pick up your copy of the AU Parent Handbook!

11:00-11:30 am
Parents Welcome with President Charles Edmondson
Nevins Theater, Powell Campus Center
Meet President Charles Edmondson, Katie Rommel-Esham, President of the Parents Association, and Melody McLay, Director of Parent Programs. We look forward to welcoming you to AU!

11:30-11:45 am
AUparent2parent Yahoo Group Gathering
Alumni Lounge, Powell Campus Center
Members of the AUparent2parent Yahoo Group are invited to pick up nametags and meet each other at this informal gathering. Not a member? Come learn more about this helpful group and find out how easy it is to join!

11:30 am-1:30 pm
Opening Picnic
Brick Lawn
All students and family members are invited to join the campus for our annual kick-off picnic.

2:00-4:00 pm
General College Sessions and Advising Hours
Various Locations (see below)
Parents and students meet the college Dean. This will be followed by an advising session for students only. Parents are encouraged to visit the Parents Information Fair in the Lobby of Harder Hall at 2:30 pm.

• College of Liberal Arts & Sciences – Ade Dining Hall
• College of Professional Studies – Nevins Theater, Powell Campus Center
• Inamori School of Engineering – Roon Lecture Hall, Science Center
• School of Art and Design – Holmes Auditorium, Harder Hall

Schedule continued on other side
2:30-3:15 pm
Parents Information Fair
Harder Hall Lobby
Stop by anytime between 2:30 and 3:15 to pick up information and ask questions.
Areas represented include:
- Athletics
- Bookstore
- Career Development Center
- Central Student Affairs
- Center for Student Involvement
- Dining Services
- Environmental Health & Safety
- Equestrian Center
- Information Technology Services
- Inter-Faith Advisor
- Judson Leadership Center
- Parents Association
- Public Safety
- Residence Life
- Special Academic Services
- Wellness Center

3:15-5:00 pm Parents Information Sessions

Miller Theatre and Holmes Auditorium — Two sessions will run concurrently in each
time slot shown in the box below. Choose the topics that most interest you! Helpful information
will be presented and each session will also include time for Q & A.

3:15–4:00 pm
AU At Your Service
Miller Theatre
This panel session will provide information about health and wellness, residence life, safety on
campus and special academic services. **Moderator: Kathy Woughter, VP for Student Affairs**

Financial Matters
Holmes Auditorium, Harder Hall
Topics such as student billing, Cashnet, meal plans, scholarships, bookstore funds, loans,
work-study, ways students can find campus jobs, and more will be covered in this session.
**Moderator: Earl Pierce, VP for Enrollment Management**

4:15–5:00 pm
The AU Experience: Beyond Classes
Miller Theatre
This informative panel session will address topics such as student leadership opportunities,
athletics, student activities, service learning and career outcomes. **Moderator: Julia Overton-
Healy, Director of the Women’s Leadership Center & Leadership Programs**

Long Distance Parenting
Holmes Auditorium, Harder Hall
Each fall, when students leave home for college, parents face the realities of long-distance
parenting. Out of sight, out of mind may work, but only when things are going smoothly. How
can parents provide positive support when college kids phone or text with complaints? Along
with the thrill of learning and the euphoria of young adulthood, college brings challenges.
The typical college year has cycles of ups and downs. This session addresses some common
problem areas you and your student may encounter over the next few months. The more
parents are aware of the tides of the semester, the more they can do to normalize their
student’s experiences and help them through. **Presenter: Norm Pollard, Dean of Students**

5:00 pm-6:00 pm
Free Time and Goodbyes
Throughout Campus
This is the ideal time to help your son or daughter finish moving into their room, offer any last
words of advice and encouragement, and say goodbye. The dinner in Ade Dining Hall, which
follows at 6:00 p.m., is for students, only, but area restaurants welcome parents. Please see the
restaurant list in the Parents Handbook for suggestions.