



BAYLOR PARENTS LEAGUE

2006/2007 CALENDAR

HELPFUL RESOURCES

ALL NUMBERS HAVE A (254) AREA CODE

Academic Advising, Class Schedule	710-7280
Academic Support Programs	710-8771
Academic Records and Transcripts	710-1181
Admissions	710-3435
	Admission_Serv_Office@baylor.edu
Air Force ROTC	710-3513
	Betty_Mullins@baylor.edu
Alumni Association	710-1121
Athletic Events and Opportunities	710-1234
Athletic Tickets	710-1000
	1-800-229-5678
Bands and Instrumental Ensembles	710-3571
	Music_School@baylor.edu
Bookstore, Charge Accounts	710-2161
Campus Living and Learning	710-3642
Alexander/Memorial Residence Hall Office	292-7005
Allen/Dawson Residence Hall Office	292-7025
Collins Residence Hall Office	292-7010
Kokernot Residence Hall Office	292-7013
North Russell Residence Hall Office	292-7018
South Russell Residence Hall Office	292-7024
North Village Residential Community	292-7028
Martin Residence Hall Office	292-7015
Penland Residence Hall Office	292-7021
Arbors, Bear Plaza and Speight Jenkins Apartments	297-5505
Career Counseling	710-8212
Career Services	710-8668
	Carolyn_Muska@baylor.edu
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Choral Programs	710-3654
Computers for Students	710-2714
Counseling—Personal, Interpersonal, Educational Concerns	710-2467
	Sandra_Tindell@baylor.edu

Financial Aid, Loans, Grants, Student Jobs	710-2611
	Financial_Aid@baylor.edu
	fax 710-2695
Food Service, Meal Plans	710-1414
General Information	710-1921
Greek Life	710-2371
Homecoming	710-3322
	Homecoming@baylor.edu
Mail Services	710-1310
	fax 710-1321
Minority Students, Support Services for	710-2371
	710-6939
National and International Scholarships	710-1461
Office of Access and Learning Accommodation	710-3605
Parking and Traffic	710-2222
Parents Information, Involvement	710-8689
Parents Weekend	710-3322
	Chamber@baylor.edu
Payment of University Charges, Check Cashing	710-2311
	Cashiers_Office@baylor.edu
Registrar's Office	710-1814
Student-Athlete Services	710-3829
Student Legal Services, Notary Public	710-3586
Student Organizations (Service, Spirit and Social Groups)	710-2371
Telephone Long Distance Service	710-3310
	fax 710-3319
Welcome Week	710-3638
Withdrawal from Baylor	710-8919
University Ministries	710-3517
Baylor Website	www.baylor.edu
Emergency Services	
Health Center	710-1010
Public Safety	710-2222



Dear Parents,

As you are already aware, sending a child to college is one of the largest commitments, both emotionally and financially, that a parent can make. You've had a profound influence during your child's formative years and continue to share the excitement during his or her college career.

By guiding your student to Baylor, you have demonstrated your confidence in the education Baylor University provides. At Baylor, your student is part of a supportive, collegiate community where his or her gifts and talents are developed to their fullest potential. As the parents of a Baylor student, we encourage you to participate in your child's education and in the Baylor experience.

We hope that you will find this calendar to be useful and informative as the 2006-07 academic year unfolds. As always, if the Parents League can be of assistance to you at any time, please contact us.

Cordially yours,

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Dear Parents,

At the beginning of this new university year, I should like to thank you for entrusting your student's university education to Baylor. Some of you are alumni, well-acquainted with Baylor's legacy of excellence, while others of you may have learned of Baylor's excellence relatively recently. Some of you are parents of

seniors, well-versed in Baylor ways, while others are first-year parents, anticipating what the year may bring.

I am most appreciative that you and your student selected Baylor. Baylor has a proud heritage of joining faith with the highest level of academic achievement, and my colleagues and I will do everything possible to see that your student has the best possible university experience.

I hope you enjoy this calendar as an effort to maintain communication between you and the university as we pursue your student's total development. Thanks for including us in your life's journey. On behalf of the faculty, staff, and alumni, welcome to the Baylor family.

Sincerely,

John M. Lilley
President, Baylor University

THE BAYLOR TRADITION

The oldest continually operating institution of higher learning in Texas and the largest Baptist University in the world, Baylor has a long and rich history. Chartered in 1845 by the Republic of Texas, the university has experienced many changes, beginning from its first location in Independence, Texas, to today's population of more than 14,000 students from all over the world. Always the university has stood by its motto, Pro Ecclesia, Pro Texana (For Church, For Texas), providing students with exceptional academics in a Christian environment.

Part of Baylor's proud heritage is its faithfulness to tradition. Below are just a few of the numerous traditions that provide a link between alumni and current Bears.

- **All University Sing!** In this music and dance show that began in 1953, student organizations compete to put on the best act, complete with talented performers and intricate costumes and sets.
- **Diadeloso.** "The Day of the Bear" is celebrated through carnival games, athletic tournaments and spending time with friends, a holiday from class in the spring that has been observed since 1934.
- **Homecoming.** More than 50,000 alumni and friends return to campus each year in the fall to reminisce with friends and celebrate the Baylor spirit. From reunions to the football game, from bonfire to the oldest and largest collegiate Homecoming parade in the nation, Homecoming is the culmination of some of Baylor's greatest traditions.





BAYLOR BALLOON GLOW

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SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Enjoy unique lodging in the Waco area during Parents Weekend, Homecoming, sporting events, or any time. Visit us at www.heartoftexasbb.com					1 Last day to reduce or cancel meal plan	2
3 Baylor football hosts TCU	4 Labor Day holiday	5	6	7	8	9 Baylor football hosts Northwestern State
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 Baylor football @ Washington State Balloon Glow
17	18 Last day to drop classes without grades assigned	19 Classes dropped must be assigned grade of DP or DF by instructor	20	21	22 Parents Weekend After Dark	23 Parents Weekend Baylor football hosts Army
24	25	26	27	28 Panhellenic rush registration	29 Panhellenic rush registration	30 Baylor football hosts Kansas State 3rd installment payment due

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CHALLENGES

- On their own.** As students start out, the temptations are great: to eat only junk food, stay up all hours of the night, miss class or waste time watching TV or surfing the Internet. Conversely, homesick students may call home frequently as they adjust to making their own decisions.
- Campus life.** Students should maintain constant communication with roommates to preserve a good relationship and seek advice from community leaders if discomfort arises.

ENCOURAGE

- Wellness.** The McLane Student Life Center is an excellent facility which houses not only exercise equipment but also the Health Center and Counseling Center, helping students maintain good habits and stay healthy.
- Orientation sessions.** Informational meetings are offered that can teach your student how to use the libraries, Blackboard software and other resources.
- Involvement.** Tell students to keep an eye out for any academic, social or service organizations they might be interested in joining. Also, Student Life puts on Place 2 BU weekend events, as well as other activities, providing opportunities to meet new people.



FRESHMAN CLASS COUNCIL AT THE HOMECOMING PARADE

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OCTOBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3 Freshmen Follies	4	5	6	7 Baylor football @ Colorado
8	9	10	11	12	13 Fall Break	14 Fall Break Baylor football @ Texas
15 Fall Break	16	17 Last day to drop a class with a grade assigned	18 Classes dropped will be recorded as failed	19 Pigskin Revue (club night)	20 Pigskin Revue Cabaret Singspiration Bonfire and Pep Rally	21 Pigskin Revue Homecoming Parade Baylor football hosts Kansas (Homecoming)
22 Homecoming Worship Service	23	24	25	26 Spring '07 registration starts	27	28 Baylor football hosts Texas A&M
29	30	31 4th installment payment due	Think 1st ... 1st University Credit Union Serving Baylor and Waco Worldwide for 50 Years!			

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CHALLENGES

- Mid-terms.** This first round of exams can be daunting, especially for freshmen who excelled easily in high school and find college to be a different ballgame.
- Advising and registration.** Make sure students know their registration dates for spring classes and plan accordingly to meet with academic advisors and to clear up any holds that might prevent them from registering.

ENCOURAGE

- Tutoring.** The Paul L. Foster Success Center offers tutoring, both one-on-one and through Smarthinking, an online program. Many academic departments also offer tutoring, and the English department offers a Writing Center open to all majors. In addition, Supplemental Instruction, weekly study sessions for historically challenging courses, are often available for freshman level courses.
- School/social balance.** Classes are the focus of Baylor life, which some students need to be reminded of, while others neglect their personal life. The trick is keeping a balance between school, work and social activities.



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NOVEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4 Steppin' Out Baylor football @ Texas Tech
5	6	7	8	9	10	11 Baylor football @ OSU
12	13	14	15	16	17	18 Baylor football hosts Oklahoma
19	20	21	22 Thanksgiving holiday Residence halls close at 9 a.m.	23 Thanksgiving holiday	24 Thanksgiving holiday	25 Thanksgiving holiday
26 Thanksgiving holiday Residence halls reopen at 1 p.m.	27	28 Graduate Ring Ceremony	29	30 Christmas on 5th Street Final Fall '06 installment payment due		

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CHALLENGES

- Planning ahead.** At the end of the semester, deadlines for reading assignments, major projects and term papers lead straight into final exams, which begin just one week into December. Students should start preparing early.
- Health.** This is the time of year that the Health Center has the most visits, as overwhelmed students are more prone to illness. Maintaining a proper diet and sleep schedule helps students perform their best at this busy time of year.

ENCOURAGE

- Talking to professors.** Professors have office hours for students to discuss questions and concerns about class performance. Keeping an open dialogue with professors often can make a difference if a final grade is on the cusp.
- Decision-making.** Listen to your students as they consider everything from holiday travel plans to choosing a major. Offer support as they go through their reasoning process, but let them form their own decisions.
- Verify exam schedule.** Final exams are not necessarily given at the same time a class meets. Knowing the schedule aids in making end-of-semester travel plans.



BRUISER VOLUNTEERING DURING CHRISTMAS SEASON

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DECEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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3	4 Last day of classes	5 Special study day	6 Special study day	7 Final exams	8 Final exams	9 Final exams
10	11 Final exams	12 Final exams	13 Final exams	14 Residence halls close at 6 p.m.	15 Spring '07 payment due	16 Commencement
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 Christmas holiday—Offices closed	26 Christmas holiday—Offices closed	27 Christmas holiday—Offices closed	28 Christmas holiday—Offices closed	29 Christmas holiday—Offices closed	30
31						

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CHALLENGES

- Studying.** With holidays approaching, focusing on calculus or world history can be difficult. If professors offer review sessions, students should take advantage.
- Loss of freedom.** Having become accustomed to their own routine and schedule, there may be conflict when students want to stay out late or neglect chores over the holiday break.

ENCOURAGE

- McLane Student Life Center services.** Being healthy, emotionally and physically, is key to good performance on final exams. A massage may be just the ticket to relaxing for finals, or perhaps Bearobics, a variety of aerobics classes ranging from kickboxing to yoga, which is free during finals.
- Where to live next year?** Yes, it is early—but housing, both on-campus and off, gets snapped up quickly. Students need to decide whether they will live in a residence hall or move into an apartment. Registration to live on-campus starts now.



WELCOME WEEKEND

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JANUARY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 Panhellenic formal recruitment begins, residence halls open for women involved	3 Residence halls open for spring semester	4	5	6 Panhellenic recruitment ends
7	8 Classes begin	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day holiday	16	17 Last day to add or register for courses	18	19 Last day to reduce or cancel meal plan	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 2nd installment payment due	Think 1st ... 1st University Credit Union Serving Baylor and Waco Worldwide for 50 Years!		

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CHALLENGES

- Rush and pledging.** Though usually a rewarding experience, joining a fraternity or sorority is time-consuming and often stressful when balancing new social commitments with academics.
- Financial aid.** From scholarships to work-study, there is a plethora of financial aid options. Don't forget FAFSA—it should be filed as soon as the prior year's income tax return is prepared.

ENCOURAGE

- Study abroad.** Baylor offers a variety of study abroad programs, ranging from teaching in Australia to studying in Maastricht. If considering a summer program, students should start making plans now.
- Career guidance.** Whether undecided or simply wondering what careers certain majors lead to, Career Counseling helps guide students down the right path. And for students seeking internships or jobs, Career Services is the place to go, where students can get help with resume writing, job fairs and on-campus interviews.



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FEBRUARY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5 Last day to drop classes without grades assigned	6 Classes dropped must be assigned grade of DP or DF by instructor	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16 All University Sing	17 All University Sing
18	19	20	21	22	23 All University Sing	24 All University Sing
25	26	27	28 3rd installment payment due			

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CHALLENGES

- Prioritizing.** As students take on new activities or leadership roles, they must learn to prioritize and balance these responsibilities with their classes, while avoiding over-commitment.
- Valentine’s Day.** Regardless of your student’s relationship status, Valentine’s Day can be stressful, whether feeling the pressure of financing the perfect date or feeling lonely without a significant other.

ENCOURAGE

- Asking for help.** Sometimes figuring out how to manage time or solve problems goes beyond one person’s abilities. The Counseling Center, University Ministries and the Paul L. Foster Success Center are some helpful resources for students.
- Family time.** While staying aware of your student’s time limitations, be available. If a family visit to campus can be planned (with your student’s input), that support means a lot. If a visit is not feasible, keep up via phone calls and e-mail.



STUDENTS CHEERING AT THE LADY BEARS BASKETBALL GAME

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MARCH

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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4	5 Last day to drop with a DP or DF	6 Classes dropped will be recorded as failed	7	8	9 Residence halls close for Spring Break at 6 p.m.	10 Spring Break
11 Spring Break	12 Spring Break	13 Spring Break	14 Spring Break	15 Spring Break	16 Spring Break	17 Spring Break
18 Spring Break Residence halls reopen at 1 p.m.	19	20 Summer/Fall registration begins	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 Steppin' Out 4th installment payment due

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CHALLENGES

- Spring break.** Communicate with students about plans, whether they will travel with friends or come home. Encourage them to think through their choices about spring break activities.
- Finalizing summer plans.** Students must decide whether they will intern, study abroad, return home or stay at Baylor and whether they will work, take classes or enjoy one last lazy summer. If your student plans to attend classes at a hometown university or community college, make sure the credits will transfer to Baylor.

ENCOURAGE

- Focus.** Encourage students not to procrastinate when studying—it is hard to focus with a weeklong vacation coming up, but they will not enjoy the break as much if they feel badly about exam results.
- Service.** Volunteering is a great way to feel a part of the community. Steppin' Out, a Baylor volunteer initiative, is at the end of this month, and there are numerous service organizations on campus, as well as opportunities for mission trips.



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APRIL

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6 Easter holiday	7 Easter holiday
8 Easter holiday	9 Easter holiday	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 Diadeloso	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 Last day of classes Final Spring '07 installment payment due		Think 1st ... 1st University Credit Union Serving Baylor and Waco Worldwide for 50 Years!			

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CHALLENGES

- Fast-paced life.** From rapidly approaching finals (which start May 3) to end-of-year social events, the fast pace of having many commitments can be overwhelming.
- Fitting in the basics.** Stress the role of healthy meals, regular exercise and adequate sleep in strong academic performance.

ENCOURAGE

- Fun!** Even though having so many things going on can be a lot to handle, many of those activities are fun. From formal dances to Diadeloso, students should participate and stay involved.
- Positive attitude.** Even if this semester’s classes were particularly difficult, remind your student to keep a positive view as they head into finals. All anybody can ask is that they do their best.



GRADUATION

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MAY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Summer '07 invoice available online Special study day	2 Special study day	3 Final exams	4 Final exams	5 Final exams
6	7 Final exams	8 Final exams	9 Final exams	10 Residence halls close at 6 p.m. for non-graduating students	11	12 Commencement
13	14	15 Summer '07 payment due	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 Summer I advisement and registration ends	29 Summer I begins Late registration fees begin	30	31 Last day to register or add classes for Summer I	Congratulations Baylor graduates and parents! Stay at an area B&B for the big event. Visit us at www.heartoftexasbb.com	

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CHALLENGES

- Finals and goodbyes.** While coping with the academic rigor of final exams, at the same time students say goodbye to friends as they part ways for the summer.
- Facing the future.** Whether your student is a freshman nervous about a first internship or a graduating senior preparing to start a career, the end of the school year means big changes.

ENCOURAGE

- Moving-out preparation.** While packing, students should be aware of residence hall check-out procedures or completing their apartment lease requirements, and they need to make address changes with both the postal service and in university records.
- Making memories.** Seniors especially will want to mark their last class as an undergraduate or their last trip to their favorite hang-out.
- Planning for the future.** Undergraduates should make resolutions for what they hope to accomplish next year: get better grades, be more involved, etc. Graduates should make plans for staying in touch with friends, and be sure to come back to visit Baylor.

JUNE						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1Last day to reduce or cancel meal plan	2
3	4	5	6Last day to drop without grade for Summer I	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29Summer '07 final installment payment due	30

JULY						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2Summer I final exams	3Summer II advisement and registration ends	4Independence Day holiday	5Summer II begins	6	7
8	9Last day to register or add classes for Summer II	10Fall '07 invoice available online	11	12	13Last day to drop without grade for Summer II	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31Fall '07 payment due				

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GOT LODGING ? Whether Victorian, contemporary, country, or western, you'll find unique bed and breakfast accommodations at www.heartoftexasbb.com			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8Summer II final exams	9	10	11Commencement
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20Late registration fees begin Fall '07 semester begins	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28Last day to register or add classes for Fall '07	29	30	31	

CHALLENGES

- Responsibility vs. fun.** Students who have a job or take summer classes may have a hard time balancing summer fun and responsibilities, especially if this is the first summer they won’t get to kick back and relax.
- Separation from friends.** Students get used to living in very close proximity to the college friends, so being separated is a big adjustment. They may want to visit college friends during the summer.

ENCOURAGE

- Free time.** A full-time job or summer school is rigorous, but suggest that your students make the most of their free time with fun outings, perhaps activities they do not have time for during the academic year.
- Reconnect with old friends.** Summer is a great time to see high school friends.

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