Dear UK Families,

We hope your Wildcats are glad to be back on campus and that their first classes have gone well this spring semester! Campus is alive with activity again. Read on for more information on the following events and activities:

- Severe Weather Information and UK Alert Reminder
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**Severe Weather Information and UK Alert Reminder**
With winter weather approaching, we would like to share the university’s plans for severe winter weather and other university emergencies.

Now is a good time for your students to review and update their UK Alert account. UK Alert, the University’s emergency notification system, is activated in times of University closings, delays, early dismissals due to weather, and other major emergencies. Students automatically get UK Alert via email, but it is a good idea for them to add their cell phone number in order to get texts or phone calls (based on their preferences). Students can log in to myUK to update their account. Parents, family members, and visitors can also sign up for UK Alert; to sign up or update your account, please visit [www.uky.edu/EM/UKAlert/](http://www.uky.edu/EM/UKAlert/).

Details about the University’s severe weather procedures can be found at [www.uky.edu/PR/News/severe_weather.htm](http://www.uky.edu/PR/News/severe_weather.htm).

You can also find the most up-to-date information during emergencies in the following places:

- [UK home page](http://www.uky.edu)
- [UK Alert website](http://www.uky.edu/EM/UKAlert)
- [UKNow](http://www.uky.edu/UKNow)
- UK’s official social media accounts on [Facebook](http://www.facebook.com/UKY) and [Twitter](http://www.twitter.com/UKY)
- The UK Infoline at 859-257-5684
- UK cable channel 184
- Digital cable channel 219
- Other local media outlets

**Holiday Weekend Bus Route Changes**
UK will observe Martin Luther King Day on Monday as an academic holiday. Accordingly, Transportation Services will alter bus schedules: [http://uknow.uky.edu/campus-news/martin-luther-king-holiday-transit-changes](http://uknow.uky.edu/campus-news/martin-luther-king-holiday-transit-changes).
**Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Celebration**
UK and the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government coordinate an annual celebration that will take place on Monday. To learn more about the events planned, visit [www.uky.edu/mlk/content/event-schedule](http://www.uky.edu/mlk/content/event-schedule).

**Spring Leadership Workshop Series**
Leadership Education is excited to announce a newly created spring 2018 Leadership Workshop Series for students! They will be holding 15 lunch & learn-style workshops for students. Workshop topics vary from session to session but will focus on all areas of leadership. All workshops will take place from 12 p.m. - 1 p.m. in 101 Stuckert Career Center, with the exception of the Wednesday, January 17th session, which will take place in 225 Blazer Dining Hall. Lunch will be provided at every workshop.

More information and an RSVP form can be found on the [Office of Student Organizations & Activities OrgSync page](http://www.uky.edu/). Contact Jessica Chandler at jessica.chandler2@uky.edu or Alli Lake at alli.lake@uky.edu with questions.

**Spring Family Reunion Tickets on Sale Soon**
The UK Parent and Family Association is excited to host this year’s [Spring Family Reunion](http://www.uky.edu/parents) at Keeneland on Saturday, April 14, 2018. In addition to an afternoon of races, UK’s Spring Family Reunion will feature behind-the-scenes tours of Keeneland, opportunities to meet with the Keeneland betologists, a brunch inside the [Keeneland Sales Pavilion](http://www.uky.edu/), opportunities for general admission into Keeneland or grandstand seating, reserved parking, family photos, and more!

Tickets to the Spring Family Reunion will go on sale to the public on Wednesday, January 24, 2018. For more information about the Spring Family Reunion schedule and tickets, visit [www.uky.edu/parents](http://www.uky.edu/parents).

**Spring Semester Calendar**
You can find the academic calendar for spring 2018 online at [www.uky.edu/registrar/content/spring-2018-semester](http://www.uky.edu/registrar/content/spring-2018-semester).

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For residence hall opening and closing dates, visit [www.uky.edu/housing/hall-opening-closing-dates](http://www.uky.edu/housing/hall-opening-closing-dates).

**Storage Solutions**
We have had several parents and family members requesting recommendations on the [@UKparents Facebook page](http://www.uky.edu/parents) for places to store their students’ stuff during summer break. Though UK does not
officially endorse any of these companies, a few parents have utilized and recommended the following storage solutions:

- Space Center Storage
- Dorm Room Movers
- Lexington Mini-Storage
- Versailles Road Storage

Check out the @UKparents Facebook and Twitter pages for more parent-to-parent recommendations.

Student Involvement Fair
If your students are looking for a way – or additional ways – to get involved on campus, encourage them to visit the Student Involvement Fair on January 31, 2018, 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. on the first floor of the White Hall Classroom Building.

Student Tax 1098-T Forms
Tax season is upon us, and you and/or your students may be asking about student tax resources. Visit www.uky.edu/studentaccount/student-tax for more information about the 1098-T forms that allow students to take the education tax credit when filing with the Internal Revenue Service.

What’s Going On?
There is always something to do on campus and in Lexington! Several event calendars will help you and your student make plans.

Campus Calendar: http://calendar.uky.edu
UK Athletics: www.ukathletics.com/calendar.aspx
Lexington Visitors Bureau: www.visitlex.com/events/calendar.php

Contact the UK Parent and Family Association
If you have questions or concerns, contact the UK Parent and Family Association. Our office is open Monday – Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please note the University of Kentucky is closed on Monday, January 15, in observance of the Martin Luther King Holiday. Call 859-257-2752 or email parents@lsv.uky.edu. Visit our website at www.uky.edu/parents. Follow us on Twitter at http://twitter.com/UKParents, and find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/UKParents.

All the best,
Nancy Stephens and Nicki Jenkins
UK Parent and Family Association

To unsubscribe or ask questions related to the Parent & Family Association email list, please email parents@lsv.uky.edu. A member of our staff will respond at our earliest convenience during regular business hours.