

Parent & Family Association

Welcome to the Bloodhound Family!



February 2021

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Meet the Dean

February 16: 5:30pm-6:30pm

[Register Here](#)

Parent Meet Up

February 25: 5:30pm-6:30pm

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Important Dates

February 2-10: [Weeks of Welcome](#)

February 12: [College Closed](#)

[Lincoln's Birthday](#)

February 15: [College Closed](#)

[President's Birthday](#)

Welcome and Welcome Back!

Happy New Year and Welcome to the Spring 2021 Semester!

We are excited to welcome our new and returning Parents and Families to the New Year and semester as we continue to support students beginning, continuing, and nearing the end of their educational journeys with us at John Jay College. The year 2020 was a challenging year for many of us, requiring patience and adaptability. At John Jay College we continue to navigate through new situations brought on by COVID-19. As we rely on shared responsibility with parents and families for students' success we look forward to continued communications and relationship building with you.

This semester most student services and class lectures will retain virtual formats. It finds parents in the role of providing the environment that allows college students at home to manage and adjust to virtual settings. Families can find information on student support services through The [Wellness Center](#), [Academic Advising Center](#), [Learning Center](#), and The [Math/Science Resource Center](#). We also encourage parents and families to keep connected with updates posted on the John Jay announcements page and reach out to the parents and family email with questions.

[Black History Month](#) and what John Jay College is doing to celebrate

John Jay College is proud to celebrate Black History Month with a [calendar of events](#) dedicated to highlighting the many achievements and contributions African-Americans have made to this

country. As a Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI) and Minority Serving Institution (MSI), the College recognizes the month of February as a time to honor our rich, expansive, and ever-growing African-American history, proudly acknowledging the many African-Americans who tirelessly fought for equality. During the month of February, there are several John Jay events planned to celebrate Black History Month that everyone can participate in and enjoy.



Advice from a Student: Back to School



Hi everyone! My name is Kira and I'm a senior at John Jay majoring in Global History with a minor in digital media and journalism. The "back to school" time of year is usually nerve wracking for all; incoming students, returning students and parents! For students, we may be worrying about our classes, what the workload will be like, the professors, finding the classes etc. and for parents of college students especially, it can be a confusing time. On one hand, your college student has increasing liberty and freedom within their life and school schedules while on the other, they too are trying to figure out how to navigate this new chapter in their lives.

It can be difficult when you're both going through this new phase together but as a parent, there are a lot of encouraging words and pieces of advice you can give (and take) in order to watch your college student flourish into their fullest potential:

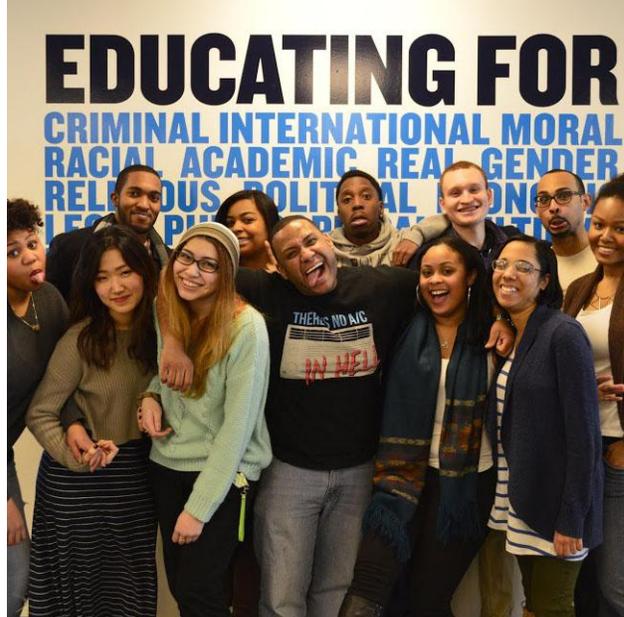
- Encourage making new memories! College is a fun place, besides being there for academic reasons, there are so many people to meet and network with and form relationships with.
- Motivate them to get involved! Some students may feel like college is only for academia and while it is a major part, being able to build one's resume is crucial during this time. Take a part time job on campus, join clubs etc. there are a multitude of ways to enrich the college experience.
- And finally, as stated earlier, this is a new chapter for both parent and student; walk alongside your student as they go on this adventure. Let them make some mistakes, allow them to find their own solutions... they always know how to find their way home

Office Feature: Center for Student Involvement and Leadership

Just because the school year is being conducted remotely, it does not mean that your student can not get involved and be engaged on campus. The Center for Student Involvement and Leadership (CSIL) offers a wide array of cultural, educational, leadership and social activities for your student. Getting involved in John Jay's student life is the quickest way for your student to become a part of the College community, and to create their personal experience. Our office organizes programs and events, lectures, cultural presentations, leadership programs and social activities. These programs aim to enrich their experience and encourage them to develop their

leadership abilities and express their talents. They allow them to build a strong connection with peers that have a diverse background and interests.

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Why Should You Be Active in the Parent and Family Association?



The Office of Student Transition Programs understands and recognizes the vital role parents and family members play in the academic success of their students. Because family members are a very important part of our College community, we will make every effort to promote family communication and involvement. Whether you are family members of new or returning students, we hope your experience with John Jay is positive and rewarding.

The purpose of the Parent and Family Association is to:

- Assist family members in navigating campus resources, services, and programs
- Assist family members in supporting their students and empowering them to take responsibility while enrolled at the College
- Enhance communication between the College and family members
- Develop a sense of community amongst John Jay families to provide support, advice, and opportunities for involvement.

This year, we will be sending newsletters, hosting webinars and virtual meet ups! If you have suggestions of topics for our newsletter and webinar or ideas for Parent and Family Association events, please submit them here:

<https://bit.ly/parentsuggestion>

We hope you stay engaged with us while your student is enrolled at John Jay!

