PARENTS MAKE THE DIFFERENCE
Dear Fellow Fairfield University Parents and Guardians,

As we all anticipate our children’s arrival at Fairfield this fall, we are so proud of this community of students, parents, alumni, faculty, and staff for maintaining a commitment to our shared values and the promising outcomes we know are made possible through education.

We acknowledge that the pandemic has been difficult on all students. They’ve faced ups and downs as they adjusted to new routines, social interactions, quarantine, and acclimation to various learning modalities. But they have prevailed and there is tremendous anticipation for the return to in-person learning this fall. Again, we feel so proud that throughout the pandemic, Fairfield has focused on what it does best, providing every student with an exceptional learning experience.

Pride in overcoming challenges is also a precursor for the hope we share for the future. Fairfield continues to move forward with its dedicated faculty, new academic programs, focus on student life, and exciting projects like the new Arena & Convocation Center that will open next year. Personally, we cannot wait to be back on campus to watch our son JT on the rugby pitch, to visit the museum, and enjoy the energy the campus has to offer. While these are just a few examples, we know every step we take is possible because of the active participation of all members of this community.

This year, we invite you to become involved in every aspect of your student’s University experience. Please consider serving as Parent Ambassadors, attending events, cheering at games, dining at the Tully, and considering a philanthropic contribution that will improve the Fairfield experience for everyone, grow our pride, and enable continued innovation.

Thank you for being part of the Fairfield University family and participating as a proud Stag parent.

Sincerely,

Monica & John Thompson III P’23
Co-Chairs, Parents Leadership Council
HOW PARENTS LIKE YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Impact of Parent Involvement – This is an exciting time for Fairfield, and YOU are a part of it. Fairfield is embarking on a transformational era like no other, and you can make a difference.

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<th>90% of faculty hold the highest degree in their field</th>
<th>Top 5 Safest colleges in Connecticut</th>
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“When our daughter began her first year at Fairfield in September 2020, we knew we had to prepare for some uncertainties. Although we were living through unprecedented times, we encouraged her to make the best of it, get involved, and meet people. As parents, we recognized we had to model that behavior, so we became Parent Ambassadors and got involved ourselves. We attended as many virtual events and workshops as possible, where we were reassured of the University’s priorities to keep our children safe while maintaining the level of education we expected. We met parents like us, who just wanted their children to have a “normal” year. By May 2021, we realized everyone we met embraced the Fairfield mission of ‘sharing common goals, common commitment, and common concern for others.’”

- Laura and Joe Sarubbi P’24

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<th>60+ Study Abroad programs in five continents</th>
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$103,000 alumni earning potential 10 years after graduation

Ranking ROI, Georgetown University
GET INVOLVED AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Are you looking for ways to get involved at Fairfield? The University’s success depends on each individual in our community, and there are many meaningful opportunities for parent involvement. Consider becoming a Parent Ambassador and participate in one or more of the following ways:

- Host Stags in the City student career visits at your company
- Host a student for the Job Shadow Program
- Participate in Mock Interview Days and Industry Nights
- Provide internship and job opportunities for students through Stags4Hire
- Attend regional chapter events near you, including career, networking, spiritual, enrichment, and social receptions
- Host an event at your home or club
- Support Fairfield with a gift to the Parents Fund or area of your choice to enhance your student’s education and campus experience
- Participate in reaching Parents Fund goals through peer-to-peer fundraising efforts within the Fairfield community
- Volunteer your time to call and welcome families of confirmed students
- Lend your career expertise

For more information, contact us at parents@fairfield.edu.

SUPPORT THE PARENTS FUND

Parent giving ensures rigorous and supportive academic programming, student life activities, financial aid, and a diverse range of health and wellness services, all rooted in Jesuit values. Your involvement expands our students’ opportunities and enhances the University’s national profile. If you are a parent/guardian of a student-athlete, you can support your child’s experience on the field and off by designating your gift to the Parents Fund AND their sport. Signature moments where our parent community comes together in the spirit of philanthropy:

- Fall Parent Leadership Challenge – Two weeks in the fall where the parent community generously comes together to reach our donor goals to unlock challenge dollars that are invested to support student needs
- Spring STAGiving Day – One day in the spring when the entire Stag community unites to support your students
- Senior Tribute Gift – Parents of seniors have special opportunities to honor their soon-to-be graduating students:
  - Honor Your Graduate Gift – A Fairfield tradition to recognize your student’s achievements and honor their experience
  - Capstone Scholarship Gift – A leadership gift that supports scholarship for future generations of Stags
“Never would we have imagined both our girls ending up at the same school, all the way across the country! The moment you step foot on campus, you feel like you are home. The genuine support and guidance from the administration as well as the professors sets Fairfield apart from so many other schools. Nestled in a town that seems like it came from pages of a storybook, Fairfield is truly a hidden gem. As a parent, you are comforted because you know your child is in good hands, even if across the country. Supporting a school like the Egan School of Nursing and Health Studies ensures that the stellar guidance, education, and training our children received will continue for others to experience.”

- Doris and Kevin McHenry P’22,’25

FAIRFIELD UNIVERSITY GIFT SOCIETIES

Parents Leadership Council
Fairfield University is fortunate to have a legacy of generous parent leadership donors providing millions of dollars in support to scholarships, the Parents Fund, athletics, and capital projects. Gifts at the Parents Leadership Council (PLC) level of $5,000 or more annually immediately impact the Fairfield community. Plus, PLC members enjoy exclusive signature events throughout the year, including meeting with senior leadership and attending mission driven events for parents and alumni. PLC membership automatically includes membership in the Women’s Leadership Council, which exists to strengthen and support Fairfield University’s network of women.

The President’s Circle
Parents qualify for membership in The President’s Circle by making a gift of $1,000 or more each fiscal year. President’s Circle members play a significant role in shaping all aspects of our University, providing a top quality education for young men and women in mind, body, and spirit.

“As parents of an incoming first year student, Julia ’24, we were immediately impressed with the caring and compassionate outreach of the Office of Parent Engagement and Philanthropy (OPEP), particularly considering the challenges posed for our daughter and her classmates arising from the Covid 19 pandemic. The administration’s dedication to ensuring the campus remained opened with well reasoned safety protocols enabled Julia to forge strong friendships with classmates, often while taking spin classes at the RecPlex! Personally, we were privileged to take part in remote events sponsored by the Parents Leadership Council (PLC). We realized we could play a meaningful role in ensuring future generations of students have access to the opportunities Julia has already enjoyed. That’s why we happily support the University through charitable gifts and as members of the PLC.”

- Bob and Deb Kilroy P’24
GET CONNECTED

Important Contact Information

Information/University Operator ............................................................... 203-254-4000
Dean of Students ......................................................................................... 203-254-4211
Public Safety ............................................................................................... 203-254-4090
Career Center .............................................................................................. 203-254-4081
Residence Life .............................................................................................. 203-254-4215
Bursar’s Office ............................................................................................. 203-254-4095
Office of Accessibility .................................................................................. 203-254-4000, ext. 2615
Office of Academic Support and Retention ................................................ 203-254-4000, ext. 2222
College of Arts & Sciences Career & Professional Development Office ...... 203-254-4000, ext. 2227
Dolan Career Development Center ............................................................ 203-254-4000, ext. 3987
Egan School Career Development Center .................................................. 203-254-4000, ext. 4081
School of Engineering Career Development Center .................................. 203-254-4000, ext. 4081
Health Center .............................................................................................. 203-254-4000, ext. 2241

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YOU’RE INVITED

Special events bring our community together to create long lasting relationships and memories.

ALUMNI & FAMILY WEEKEND  fairfield.edu/afw
2021: October 15 – 17
2022: October 21 – 23
2023: October 20 – 22

COMMENCEMENT  fairfield.edu/commencement
May 22, 2022
May 21, 2023
May 20, 2023

Event dates and venues are subject to change.
MOVE IN WEEKEND
Move in begins September 4
Classes begin September 7
fairfield.edu/fall welcome

CULTURAL EVENTS
The Quick Center  quickcenter.fairfield.edu
The Fairfield University Art Museum –
fairfield.edu/museum

ATHLETICS AND CLUBS
fairfieldstags.com
fairfield.edu/clubs

CAREER FAIRS
Fall 2021 & Spring 2022
fairfield.edu/careerfair

Innovative Research Symposium • April 2022 • fairfield.edu/symposium
Fairfield StartUp • April 2022 • fairfield.edu/startup

IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY AND SERVICE
fairfield.edu/jesuit

FAIRFIELD AWARDS DINNER – SPRING 2022
fairfield.edu/fad

Event dates and venues are subject to change.