



Blair Academy Family Weekend

All of us at Blair are thrilled to invite you to join us at another Blair first: a virtual Family Weekend! This program will showcase all that your children are doing in our classrooms and dorms, on our athletic fields, and across campus at a wide range of formal and informal gatherings, all of which is helping them forge and deepen relationships with faculty members and their peers.

Although life on campus looks different this year as we keep our physical distance from each other and mask up, so many of the traditions and routines that make for an extraordinary Blair experience are stronger than ever. We are truly *all in* and *all together*, and the entire faculty is looking forward to sharing the myriad details of campus life with you later this month. Until then, we wish you and your families the very best.

Warm regards,
Chris Fortunato
Blair's 16th Head of School

Peter G. Curran
Blair's 17th Head of School

*Please note that all Family Weekend events will take place on Zoom in Eastern Standard Time.
Visit www.blair.edu/family-weekend-zoom or call + 1 (646) 558-8656.
Whichever option you choose, you may be asked to enter meeting ID: 341 737 2712.*

October 24

8:30-8:45 a.m. Welcome
*Blair's 16th Head of School Chris Fortunato
& Blair's 17th Head of School Peter G. Curran*

8:45-9:45 a.m. Planning for College for Junior & Senior Parents
Dean of College Counseling Niki Applebaum '01, Associate Dean of College Counseling & Director of Testing Joe Mantegna, Associate Dean of College Counseling Kevin Parsons & College Counselor Caroline Wilson

10-10:45 a.m. Academic Open House
Dean of Academics Nathan Molteni, Assistant Head of School & Dean of Faculty Lorry Perry & Dean of Teaching & Learning Amanda Lucas

Overview of the Fall 2020 Experience & Insight into the J-Term Academic Program
Department chairs

11-11:45 a.m. Student Life Open House
Associate Head of School Ryan Pagotto '97, Dean of Campus Life & Director of Leadership Programs Carolyn Conforti-Browse '79, Associate Dean of Students Andee Ryerson & dorm heads Rod Gerdson (Insley Hall); Doug Compton (Flight Deck); Caroline Wilson (Locke Hall)

Learn how your child has been spending his or her time outside the classroom, hear from dorm heads and experience the semester in pictures from the first weeks of school.

1-2 p.m. Planning for College for Freshman & Sophomore Parents
Dean of College Counseling Niki Applebaum '01, Associate Dean of College Counseling & Director of Testing Joe Mantegna, Associate Dean of College Counseling Kevin Parsons & College Counselor Caroline Wilson

Please visit www.blair.edu/virtual-art-gallery to view Blair's Virtual Student Art Gallery beginning October 24.

October 27, 28 & 30

Individual Parent Teacher Conferences (*to be scheduled on or after October 21*)

Individual, five-minute virtual conferences can be scheduled with each of your son's or daughter's teachers on Google Meet. Please note that these are brief conferences intended to give you an overview of how your child is doing in his or her classes. If you feel a longer, more in-depth conference is necessary, please contact your child's monitor.

Information on scheduling will be sent directly from the academic office on October 21, but parents can plan ahead knowing that conferences will be available during the following times:

October 27 8-10 p.m.
October 28 7-9 p.m.
October 30 8-9 a.m. (*international parents only*)
9 a.m.-12 noon
1-4 p.m.

For more information about virtual Family Weekend programming or events, please contact Susan Long, assistant director of advancement for parent relations, at (908) 362-2033 or longs@blair.edu.

Please note that faculty will be available for conferences on either October 27 or 28. All faculty will be available for conferences on October 30.