

**Office of Student Affairs**

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Dear Parents of Students in the Class of 2023:

Welcome to the sophomore year! Now that the fall term is upon us, I'm sure that there is both excitement and no small amount of nervousness. Please be sure that you're checking the [reactivating campus website](#), as it has a great deal of information regarding how the university plans to prioritize our community's health and safety. Move-in for the fall term will be from August 24 at 10:00 am to August 30 at 7:00 pm.

Drop/Add will be three weeks this term starting on August 24, one week before classes begin on August 31, and will end on September 11. Students should plan to leave campus at the start of Thanksgiving Recess, which will begin on November 25 and go until November 29. Fall Break will be on November 30, providing students with an additional day to travel and/or rest. Classes will end on December 4, with reading period taking place from December 5 to 7. Exams will run from December 8 to 12.

As a sophomore, your student should continue to explore the breadth of the curriculum, taking courses in the three academic areas (Humanities and Arts, Social and Behavioral Sciences, and Natural Sciences and Mathematics) as well as gateway courses for potential majors. Academic departments will host Open Houses this fall for sophomores who are inquiring into different majors, minors and certificate programs. Second-semester sophomores must declare their majors this fall, while the rest of the sophomore class will declare in the spring term. Please encourage your students to look over the information regarding the [major declaration process](#) and timeline.

The sophomore year has its rewards and challenges, as students begin to hone in on their academic interests, but that process can have its difficulties, particularly for students with many passions. Sophomores are also familiar with Wesleyan, but many aspects of the institution are still new, so please encourage them to try new things and explore both academically and socially.

Also, please be sure to remind your students that there are many resources available to them both online and on campus, whether the [Writing Workshop](#), [Career Center](#), [Peer Tutors](#), [Academic Peer Advisors](#), [Counseling and Psychological Services \(CAPS\)](#), [Accessibility Services](#), [WesWell](#), [Math Workshop](#), [Presentation Studio](#) and their faculty advisors, among many others.

If you sense that your student might benefit from some outreach, please do not hesitate to contact me. I also regularly update our [class blog](#) with different announcements.



I look forward to seeing your students, whether on campus or via Zoom, this term.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jennifer Wood', written in a cursive style.

Jennifer Wood (*she, her, hers*)

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