



Parents Connection

Message from the Dean



Dear Harvard College Parents and Guardians,

With the term coming to an end and the holiday season approaching, I have been thinking about what I am most thankful for. Like many of you, I have been following the events and discussions on other campuses

and across our nation about race, inclusion, and the value of open discourse. As I recently told our students in an [email](#), I am encouraged by the thoughtfulness by which they have approached matters of diversity on our campus, and have asked for their continued engagement as we work to foster healthy diverse cultures of belonging on our campus.

We know there is more we need to do to build greater inclusion and mutual respect for one another, but I think we should be thankful that we are all part of a Harvard community that pushes each of us to stretch beyond what we thought was possible for ourselves and that holds us to such high standards. I am grateful you are a part of this community.

Warmly,

Rakesh Khurana

Danoff Dean of Harvard College

Plan Ahead!



Wintersession

January 15-24, 2016

Please keep Wintersession in mind as you and your student make travel plans for winter break. Find out more information about dates and programming.

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In Case You Missed It ...

The Harvard Gazette is the official news source of Harvard University. [Subscribe to the Daily Gazette.](#)

Five from Harvard are Rhodes Scholars

Five Harvard undergraduates were among the 32 Americans chosen as Rhodes Scholars on Saturday. They will begin their studies at the University of Oxford next October. [Read more](#)

Less Football than Life

The Harvard football players focus on lessons of hard work and team play that will resonate for decades. [Read more](#)

Get Involved

[Reading/Exam Periods »](#)

Shortly following the Thanksgiving holiday, Reading and Exam periods will begin. This will be a busy time for your student, so be sure they know about the resources available to them, including [Harvard University Health Services' Center for Wellness](#).

[Save the Date for Junior Parents Weekend! »](#)

Please join us for [Junior Parents Weekend](#) for the Class of 2017 on Friday and Saturday, February 26-27, 2016 for a glimpse of the transformative power of the Harvard College education that our students experience each and every day.

Did You Know?

The Harvard-Yale football rivalry is one of the oldest rivalries in U.S. college football. Through last weekend's game, Yale leads the series 66-58-8 although Harvard has won the last 9 games in a row.



STUDENT EXPERIENCE

#HarvardinAutumn

Harvard welcomed the changing season by inviting the students to capture fall on campus. Schools, students, offices, and others used Twitter and Instagram to share their experiences as Cambridge moved into autumn.

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Resources

Parent Programs: (617) 495-8663

Financial Aid: (617) 495-1551

Harvard University Health Services (24 hour): (617) 495-5711

HUHS Counseling and Mental Health Services: (617) 495-2042

Faculty of Arts and Sciences Registrar: (617) 495-1543

Housing and Residential Life: (617) 496-2774

Harvard College Parents Fund: (617) 496-3819

Additional Resources

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