Welcome to the Wayne State University Parent Newsletter.

Semester Check

Now that we’re into the second month of winter semester, we see that many of you are working with your students to make sure they’re getting the assistance and support they need for success. We’re glad you’re taking advantage of the Parent Information Network — either by sending emails or calling the Parent Services Helpline. If you haven’t, please know that we are here as a resource to connect you and your student to WSU’s many support services, including free tutoring and supplemental instruction, especially within the Academic Success Center. Students who take advantage of these resources find them very helpful in improving their performance and grades. If your student is struggling a little, encourage them to check out the Academic Success Center. It’s better to address issues early in the semester. Thanks,

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Financial Aid Check

FAFSA Fridays
It’s time to complete the 2014-15 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at fafsa.gov. The earlier you file, the better your chances of receiving maximum aid.

Every Friday in February and March, financial aid officers will be in the WSU Welcome Center lobby at 9 a.m.-4 p.m. to help:

• Start and complete the FAFSA
• Review Student Aid Reports
• Prepare any requested verification documents
• Discuss the potential aid package, including grants and loans

No appointment is necessary. Bring your questions as well as your 2013 tax forms and W2s.

Balance Check

Studies show that students who are involved on campus tend to perform better academically and socially. Whether your student lives on campus or commutes to class, the Dean of Students Office offers something for everyone. Have your student visit getinvolved.wayne.edu to see what they can do to become part of our campus community. Students can connect to any of WSU’s 400-plus student organizations, see what is going on around campus, keep track of their involvement and much more. Questions? Contact the Dean of Students Office at doso@wayne.edu or 313-577-1010.

WSU Wins National Outstanding Diversity
Achievement Award

The National Association of Campus Activities (NACA) awarded WSU with its covenanted Outstanding Diversity Achievement Award for our “Thursday’s in the D” campus program that brings students from all backgrounds and cultures together to explore the culturally diverse activities surrounding our Campus. The award will be presented to the Dean of Students Campus Activities Team at the national convention in Boston. This award is another demonstration of WSU’s commitment to diversity and student life.

Wayne State Insiders

The Wayne State University Police Department has played an important role in transforming Midtown into one of Michigan’s safest neighborhoods. On Wednesday, Feb. 5, you can join the Wayne State Insiders for a firsthand look at how the department keeps the campus and community secure.

The event includes a tour of WSU Police headquarters, an overview of the successful CompStat crime prevention initiative, and a discussion between Police Chief Tony Holt and the Center for Urban Studies Director Lyke Thompson about the collaborative efforts that have made Wayne State one of Michigan’s safest campuses. Insiders will also view demonstrations and learn important strategies to keep them safe on and off campus. The event runs from 12:30 to 2 p.m. at the WSU Police headquarters. RSVP here.

Wayne State Insiders includes alumni, friends, students, parents, faculty and staff who serve as informal ambassadors for Wayne State and our Midtown community. We welcome anyone excited about the positive impact of WSU and Detroit’s urban renewal. The more we learn, the more we can share, and the greater our collective impact can be.

Black History Month and More

February is a great time for your student to get involved with everything that is going on around campus. Living, learning and fun become one and
the same if your student takes advantage of the opportunities to attend various Black History Month events in February. Your student can stay up to date with events that are being added daily by visiting the **Black History Month calendar.** [http://doso.wayne.edu/blackhistorymonth](http://doso.wayne.edu/blackhistorymonth). Other campus and community activities can be found on WSU’s regular events calendar.

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Thank you for signing up as a member of the Wayne State University Parent Information Network and allowing us to share WSU news and updates.

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