

PARENT & FAMILY *Services*

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We hope you had a great time with your students while they were on winter break; we are ready to welcome them back to campus!



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Beginning the spring semester

The residence halls will reopen on Friday, January 11, at 8 a.m. Watterson Dining Commons will be open both Friday, January 11, and Saturday, January 12, from 11 a.m.–8 p.m. However, Marketplace at Linkins will be closed on January 11–12. Both dining centers will resume their regular hours on Sunday, January 13.

The first day of classes will be Monday, January 14.

The University will be closed on Monday, January 21, for the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday, but the residence halls and dining centers will remain open.

Incoming students' immunization requirements

All newly admitted students to Illinois State University are required to provide proof of immunity for tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis, measles, mumps, rubella, and meningitis. Documentation of immunity for new students entering for the spring 2019 term must be completed by Monday, January 28. For more information, visit the [Health Services website](#).

Spring registration

If your student is interested in changing their spring semester schedule or looking to pick up a different class or session, registration will open on Monday, January 7, at 8 a.m. and remain open through Monday, January 28, at 10 p.m. For more information, visit the [Office of the University Registrar website](#).

University Events Calendar

Are you looking for important campus dates such as academic breaks, deadlines, or course registration? Be sure to check out the [University Events Calendar](#), which features the academic calendar, as well as events happening around campus. If you need a calendar with important dates beyond the current academic year, please see the [comprehensive calendar available through the Provost's Office](#).

Winterfest

Encourage your student to get involved by attending Winterfest, the spring registered student organization (RSO) recruitment fair, on Tuesday, January 22, from 4–7 p.m. in the Bone Student Center. Representatives from a variety of RSOs will be available to share information about their organizations and how students can get involved.

Student account due dates

If your student is enrolled in the payment plan, payments for spring 2019 are due to the Student Accounts Office on the following dates:

- First installment: Friday, January 11
- Second installment: Friday, February 8
- Third installment: Friday, March 8
- Fourth installment: Friday, April 12
- Fifth installment: Friday, May 10

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These payment due dates are important to remember. Past due balances place a hold on your student's account, which can affect their course registration for future semesters. For more information about payment plans, visit the [Office of the Comptroller](#).

Student jobs available on campus

Did you know studies show that students who work up to 10 hours a week have higher grade point averages than students who do not work? Good news—all of our campus dining venues are currently hiring student employees. Event Management, Dining, and Hospitality offers a wide variety of shifts, including early mornings, midday, evenings, and many options in between. The team works with class schedules to find shifts that fit with students' schedules.

If your student would like to improve their time management, build their resume, learn new skills, and enjoy University breaks off work, please encourage them to apply for a position at Jobs.IllinoisState.edu. More information about the department and positions is also available at Dining.IllinoisState.edu or by calling (309) 438-8543.

Study abroad opportunities

At Illinois State University, students are able to choose to participate in various study abroad programs in a variety of different countries. When students study abroad, not only will they receive credit towards their degree, but their financial aid is applicable to help cover the overall cost of their program. If your student is interested in studying abroad, they can attend a First Steps session for more information. First Steps sessions are held every Wednesday and Thursday from 3-3:30 p.m. starting Wednesday, January 16, in 105 Williams Hall. For more information on how your student can make studying abroad a part of their Illinois State experience, visit the [International Studies and Programs website](#).

Winter weather closures

The University rarely closes due to severe weather. However, in the event that this would occur, students will receive an email to their Illinois State account, and it will be posted on the University homepage and through Illinois State University social media accounts.