



**SOUTHEAST MISSOURI
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Greetings Redhawk parent,

Happy New Year! I hope your year is off to an excellent start.

The spring semester is in full swing on campus. Wes Moore joined us for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. events, including the annual dinner, the first week of classes. As the semester continues, the University will continue to offer many wonderful events and programs, including events with Common and Bethany Hamilton as part of the University Speakers Series. Please encourage your student to visit the Southeast [website](#) and check emails frequently to receive information about upcoming events. Most are free or deeply discounted for students.

Please enjoy the content provided in the newsletter, and just a reminder: whatever your student does at Southeast, they won't be doing it alone.

All the best,

[Katie Foshee](#)

Assistant Director of Admissions for New Student Programs

UPCOMING DATES AND DEADLINES

Mid-term Grade Reporting
Friday, March 4 - Monday, March 14

Second Half of Semester Begins

Thursday, March 10

Spring Recess

Monday, March 14 - Friday, March 18

Last Day to Add Second Eight-Week Class

Monday, March 21

Designated Holiday***University Closed***

Friday, March 25

**Last Day to Drop a Full Semester Class,
Last Day to Drop a Second Eight Week Class
and Last Day to Withdraw from the University
without Failing Grades**

Thursday, April 21

Final Exams

Monday, May 9 - Friday, May 13

Honors Ceremony

Saturday, May 14

Commencement

Saturday, May 14

Last Day to Return Textbooks

Monday, May 16

See more important dates at semo.edu/parents.**WEATHER**

It's the time of year when inclement weather can strike. Southeast encourages all students, faculty and staff to sign up for emergency text messaging. Used only in critical situations, this free service is used to notify our community of delays or closures on all Southeast campuses. Students can register online at the portal log-in screen.

Weather-related campus closure information will also be updated [online](#).

FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

It's time to start preparing for the 2016-17 academic year by completing the 2016-17 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)-Yes, it is an annual thing! Southeast has a FAFSA priority processing date of March 1. Apply online at fafsa.ed.gov

March 1 is also the deadline to apply for 2016-2017 Endowed and Sponsored scholarships. Encourage your student to submit their application [online](#). Students must apply each year.

Student Financial Services also encourages you to check in with your students regarding their Satisfactory Academic Progress and Scholarship Renewal Eligibility. For information on these policies, contact Student Financial Services at 573.651.2253 or visit them [online](#).

SUMMER AND FALL ENROLLMENT

What is your student doing this summer?

Southeast offers an abundance of summer course offerings - most of them online! If your student is interested in taking a summer course, please encourage them to visit with an academic advisor. [Summer enrollment](#) begins *Monday, Feb. 15*. [Fall enrollment](#) begins *Monday, April 4*. Please encourage your student to make appointments as early as possible, so they can register on the first day based on their academic level. Priority enrollment dates can be found on the Registrar's [website](#).

PARENTS, WE WANT TO HEAR YOUR EXPERIENCES!

We're working on materials to share with other prospective Southeast parents. Please send an email to editor@semo.edu and let us know how you've found the process of applying to Southeast, campus visits, working through financial aid, orientation, move in day and more. Was it simple? Did you get support? We're eager to hear what you think.

As a Redhawk parent, we value your involvement in and encouragement of your child's education, and we appreciate the sacrifices you have made throughout their journey to Southeast.

Many Redhawk parents graciously support the Southeast Parents Fund, which is dedicated to scholarship development and unique programming. These opportunities make your child's Southeast experience even more valuable and would not be possible without generous gifts from the alumni, friends and parents like you!

REDHAWK PARENT

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1) incredibly important
member of the
Southeast community.

**Support the Southeast
Parents Fund Today**

[Learn more about how the University Foundation helps Southeast students.](#)

SAVE THE DATES

Family Weekend

Saturday, Sept. 17

Homecoming

Saturday, Nov. 5

Southeast Missouri State University, One University Plaza, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

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