Good afternoon CU Buff Parents!

Yikes…fall is here for real! While we have had an absolutely gorgeous October (the exception, of course, was the storm we experienced during the Family Weekend football game) things are changing! It was 75 on Tuesday…it’s in the mid-forties with some rain and snow today (although the sun is out now)!!

A quick reminder…Fall Break and Thanksgiving (23-27 November) are right around the corner!

I suspect that many of you have questions about how your student can get to the airport and back to CU. Assuming they are not going to drive themselves or have friends take them to DIA, here are some great options:

The least expensive option is the RTD SkyRide. This bus (use route AB) departs from CU each hour…no reservations are necessary. Currently, the closest bus departure point to CU is the 16th Street and Broadway bus stop (southbound side of Broadway). It takes about an hour to get to DIA. With their Eco Pass (bus pass) your student’s ride to DIA is free!

Your student can also reserve a Super Shuttle. This is a bit more expensive. Reservations/booking for Super Shuttle is accomplished on-line.

The final option is Green Ride Boulder. Again, this is more expensive than RTD SkyRide but it’s a good option. Reservations for Green Ride Boulder are also made on-line.

Of course, with a smattering of the ski areas opening recently and some snow in the mountains, there are many students who decide to stay in the local area and take advantage of everything that Boulder and Colorado have to offer in the late fall. Some have jobs that keep them in town as well. While the students have the entire week off, most university employees are at work Monday through Wednesday. The
campus observes the Thanksgiving Holiday on Thursday and Friday and is closed on those days.

Remember, the residence halls remain open throughout Fall Break/Thanksgiving but the residence hall dining facilities are closed 21-29 November. Residence hall dining facilities resume normal operations on Monday, November 30th. Some UMC dining facilities are open between 23 and 25 November. There are also plenty of dining options close to campus.

**Academic Skills Workshops:** The Student Academic Success Center is offering a variety of academic skills workshops between now and Fall Break/Thanksgiving. The workshops are available to all students and this is an optimal time to take advantage of them. Everyone will be in “academic surge” mode when classes resume after Fall Break/Thanksgiving. Click [here](#) for info.

**Spring Semester 2016 Registration:** Spring 2016 registration for continuing students began on 2 November and continues through 29 November. Your student can determine their enrollment (registration) appointment by logging into their MyCUInfo account. Those with the most credit hours register first (seniors register first and freshman last). Your student should visit the [Registrar’s website](#) for information.

**Winter Commencement 2015:** Congratulations to those of you with students graduating in December! Commencement will occur at 9:30 a.m., Saturday, December 19th, in the Coors Events/Conference Center. School and department recognition ceremonies (where your student will actually receive individual recognition) occur on December 18th and 19th. For the complete schedule of ceremonies and information on everything from graduation regalia to announcements visit the [CU Commencement website](#).

**How Sweep It Is! Buffs Win Men’s and Women’s Pac-12 Cross Country Titles:** For the second time since 2011, CU has won the Pac-12 Men’s and Women’s Cross Country Championships. The top-ranked men’s team claimed its fifth straight Pac-12 title, defeating No. 23 Stanford, 46-57, while the third-ranked women defeated No. 5 Oregon (45-51). This is the second time since joining the Pac-12 and the 14th overall that CU has swept both men’s and women’s titles at a league meet. They also did it 11 times as members of the Big 12 Conference and once in the Big Eight era (1992). [Click here](#) for the full story.

**CU-Boulder’s 2015 Diversity and Inclusion Summit:** The 2015 Diversity and Inclusion Summit will occur 10-11 November in University Memorial Center. To read more about the Summit [click here](#).

“**Sexual Misconduct on the College Campus: the CU Boulder Approach.**” The CU Parents Association is hosting this free, open forum at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 18th, in the Old Main Chapel. Title IX has been a “hot topic” in education
circles for the last few years. The implications of Title IX legislation have ramifications for everyone on campus. Learn about the pro-active stance that CU Boulder has taken to make the campus safe for all. Please join us for this important panel presentation featuring Llen Pomeroy and Teresa Wroe of the Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance, Jessica Ladd-Webert from Victim’s Assistance, Amanda Linsenmeyer of the Women’s Resource Center, and Lee Scriggins from Wardenburg Health Services’ Community Health Office.

Finally, Veterans Day is next Wednesday, November 11th. First, I would like to thank all of the veterans out there for their service! I would also encourage everyone to take a moment and reflect upon the sacrifices made on our behalf by our veterans and their families as well as those currently serving. Don’t miss the opportunity to thank a veteran or military service member next week. CU-Boulder has significantly increased the support it provides student veterans on our campus. The Office of Veteran Services provides a wide variety of services that focus on supporting student veterans as they shift from military to campus life, work to succeed academically and as members of the CU community, and as they transition to successful civilian careers. Read more about Veteran Services at CU by clicking here and click here to support the program via a donation.

One last, final thought: there will only be two weeks left in the semester when your student(s) return from Fall/Thanksgiving Break. Impress upon them the importance of “finishing strong.”

All the best…Barney, Caro and Lynn

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