

A PARENT'S CHECKLIST FOR SUMMER CONVERSATIONS

DEAN OF STUDENTS OFFICE



SUMMER RESPONSIBILITY FOR STUDENTS

- finances
- campus correspondence
- laundry, cooking, self-care

COMMUNICATION DURING THE FIRST WEEK AND MONTH OF SCHOOL

- email/phone/text/social media/video chat
- frequency and time of day
- who initiates?

ACADEMICS

- class attendance
- grades – minimum or expected GPA – midterms
- access to Parents' WebAdvisor
- asking for help

FINANCES

- source for spending/living money
- bill paying – who pays for what?

VISITS

- parents and family visiting Gustavus – when?
Family Weekend, October 4-6, 2019
- student visits home – frequency and when?

TIME MANAGEMENT AND BALANCE

- study time vs. social time vs. over-involvement
- responsibility for appointments and deadlines
- health (sleep, eating right, emotions)
- safety (group activities, high-risk drinking)
- roommate relationship (sharing, conflict, communication)

VALUES

- alcohol, drugs, intimate relationships
- faith practices and observances