Tools for families of new McGill students!

A message from Campus Life & Engagement, the one office dedicated to new McGill students.

Good morning!

This week's email will focus on **important information for parents, guardians, and caregivers of incoming students**, so we encourage you to forward it to whomever is supporting you during your time at McGill. As a student, you may also want to read this email as it contains information that is relevant for you.

Welcome to our new McGill parents, guardians, caregivers, and families!

**Joining McGill is a big jump** - not just for students, but for their families as well. This email contains information about the tools you need to stay informed as your student begins their McGill experience.
What We Do at Campus Life & Engagement (CL&E)

Campus Life & Engagement (CL&E) is a member of Student Services and supports students as they start their university careers and throughout their McGill experience. By collaborating with various university departments and student groups, we act as a hub connecting students to the resources and opportunities that will help them make the most of their time at McGill.

We also help parents and families with any general questions they may have about McGill. We cannot, however, provide or disclose any information about a particular student at McGill.

Online Communications

- Your student has been receiving weekly emails from our team with information on important first-year topics and are all accessible in CL&E's resources.
- Our First Year website contains additional information about the first-year experience.
- Have a look at our dedicated Family/Parents of New Students webpage for more information and resources!
- The McGill International Parent Community Facebook group will connect you with thousands of fellow McGill parents and guardians from around the world.

Webinars for Parents and Guardians

Parents: How to support your new McGill student webinars are live, online, interactive information sessions that you can participate in from the comfort of your own home. All you need is a computer or mobile device and a reliable internet connection. Topics will include:

- The role of parents/families in a student’s McGill experience
- Support resources at McGill
- Confidentiality
- Transition issues that may arise
- Health insurance for students
- The role of Campus Life & Engagement in supporting new students

We will be holding two sessions of this webinar series, one on Tuesday, July 23, 2019 - 9-10 a.m. EST, and the other Wednesday, July 24, 2019 - 5:30-6:30 p.m. EST. Register online here.
Events for Parents

New Student Summer Send-Offs

Every summer, the McGill Alumni Association hosts Send-Off events around the world and online. This allows incoming students and their families to ask questions and learn about campus life from McGill staff, students, and alumni before they head to Montreal.

Find your city and register now for an upcoming Summer Send-Off, or participate in an Online Send-Off and connect with fellow first-time McGill parents/guardians online!

Events for Parents During Move-In Weekend

Look for the giant white tent on campus August 23-25 as the McGill Alumni Association welcomes you to the McGill family! Parents Tent allows parents/guardians and students to get answers to pressing questions, sign up for services, and connect with other McGill families. Register for Parents Tent now!

The Downtown Campus’ Parents Tent will be held on the lower field from Friday, August 23 to Sunday, August 25, 2019.

The Macdonald Campus’ Parents Tent will be held in front of Laird Hall on Monday, August 26, 2019. Visit Macdonald Campus activities for more information.

Homecoming Weekend

The next event geared toward McGill parents and guardians is Homecoming Weekend September 26-28. Homecoming is the perfect time to visit students and see the McGill campus! Thousands of alumni and friends return to Montreal every fall for campus and city tours, educational events and lectures, the Homecoming football game, and a special event just for McGill family members.

Frequently Asked Questions

We created a helpful FAQs for Parents/Families of New Students webpage to provide answers to common questions. Topics include:

- What can my child/new student do during the summer to help prepare themselves for university?
- When can I make travel plans to bring them home for the holidays in December?
• When is the tuition payment deadline?
• Can we move into Residences early/late?
• Where do we park during move-in day?
• What times does move-in start on move-in day?

Want to stay informed on activities, events, and more? Complete the McGill Alumni Association’s Parent Information Form today!

If you ever have any general questions about the first-year experience, feel free to visit our First-Year website or to contact our team. Have a great week!

Regards,

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If you think you’ve missed any of our messages or want to re-read any, check out CL&E’s First-Year Email archive.
Please note that any reference to admissions in this communication should not be considered as an official acceptance to the University. The official admission decision is conveyed in McGill’s formal letter of acceptance found on Minerva.

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