Leaving the NEST

An open letter to the parents of a former Purdue freshman

Dear Mom and Dad,

I can’t imagine what it was like to watch your only child leave the nest.

Packing up the car till it was too full to see out the rearview mirrors, making the journey to a different state, dropping me off and trying to see the tears from my view because you knew I would get embarrassed if I saw you cry. You didn’t have to, but you always thought of me first. I never told you how, as you walked away from my dorm room that very first day, I was wiping away my own tears, too.

Out of our state, out of your sight. I’m sorry I pushed to go farther away than you wanted. I made you pay more for an out-of-state college when I would force you to cut every other extra cost in your love for the next four years. Did it because I wanted independence and change. Leaving our small town allowed me to spread my wings in more ways I could ever explain — but I’m sorry if I scared you along the way.

I know you lay awake many nights. Texting and turning and checking my location that I let you keep on your phone — after a few objections from me because I didn’t understand. I know I don’t make it as easy on you — does any kid, really? I’m not that good at remembering to call, either. But I do know you make sacrifices everyday to keep me here. I see them all. I’m sorry I don’t always acknowledge them the way I should.

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Things to do when you’re visiting Purdue.

How to stay safe while on Purdue’s campus.

A students’ guide to embarrassing your kids.

Nearby restaurants to take your Boiler for dinner.
Incoming senior Natalie Fedor writes a letter to her parents, reflecting on her experience leaving home and beginning her life at Purdue.

- Natalie Fedor, Summer Reporter.
A reconfigured study space in Tarkington Hall has been redesigned to house three students – a triple, quad, or quad plus (quad plus being like nine people in one dorm room),” she said. The quad pluses are the “limit of living space one should be in,” Frazee said. The quad plus has been reconfigured for the students initially assigned to limited-term auxiliary housing. University Residences now has up to 15,100 beds available within our residence halls (like on-campus dorm rooms, and off-campus student rooms),” it continued. “Spaces have the same amenities and comparable living environments of our traditional student rooms.

Unlike previous years, those spaces are reconfigured housing units that will allow students to choose some choice in where they will be placed. The automated email delivered a survey to the room/apartment types varying by style and size. Students will rank their preference before they are manually assigned.

According to the UK email, final housing assignments will be sent out to the students on July 14. Most students in auxiliary spaces are expected to be reconfigured by October 14, or before the start of a pre-term auxiliary housing unit, but will receive a permanent assignment as soon as one is available. University Residences website says, “It is anticipated that about 200 students may be in limited-term housing. University Residences staff will assist students in moving their personal belongings in for the first-year engineering students in the fall, responded to a message Monday, giving more insight into the survey.

“Due to the continued crash for multiple days,” she said. “I still don’t know what exactly was happening. I was just really confused. As soon as she got the email with the survey last week she jumped to fill it out, she said, because she had to get her permanent spaces back and had to have the housing on course for multiple days.

“Basically for my first three (priorities),” Frazee said. “I think it’s just really ideal, but it’s cheaper than the apartments. Like some of the apartments are really expensive, and they’re not on campus, and as a freshman I’d like to be on campus.”

She said she was still unsure about the details of the reconfigured spaces, the auxiliary housing, and didn’t understand which one was permanent and which was temporary, saying “Those things still really confused. But despite the situation being less than ideal, she said it still was exciting to go to Purdue, the only way that situation was different was she didn’t have to deal with this.

“I just can’t get stuck with,” she said, “I’ll figure it out later.”
TRADITIONS
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Perhaps one of Purdue’s most famous tradi-
tions is the fountain run, which is exactly what it sounds like. Students start at the En-
gineering Fountain outside Birck Hall, run
down a set route on campus, and finish where
they started.

Most often, students begin at the engi-
neering fountain and work their way over to
Lebo fountain, which is in front of Boiling
Hall. Stops on the way include Stegger
Fountain in front of the famed bell tower, the
Lions Head Fountain in front of Stanley
Cushier Hall and the Memorial Fountain by
John Purdue’s statue.

The Lions Head Fountain in particular has
been the subject of many superstitions.

As tradition goes students drink the wa-
ter from each of the four months on the
Lions Head Fountain. It is said that do-
ing so is good luck, and it means you will
pass your next exam. And yes, the water is
drinkable; the fountain was revivified in
2002 with the intention of making it a
drinking fountain.

Reoccurring campus oddities

Students with free time on Fridays may see
the Morpshut Gays dancing around campus
with speakers blaring.

These upbeat students get together every
Friday in colorful morpshuts with clothes
worn on top, and dance around campus for
sometimes an hour at a time.

If your student doesn’t have a bike lock, get
one near Purdue students are known to take
unlocked bikes from and put them in trees.

People around Birck Hall may notice
decorations are occasionally added to the
statue of Amos Birck by patrons of the
dining court. Students will even take hu-
mana from the dining court and place it in
the statue’s hand.

Football games at Purdue are full of tradi-
tions for students. Before kickoff, students
will take out their keys and white them.
Sometimes students will also use their shoe
instead of keys if they don’t have any. This
was originally done to honor Leroy Keys, the
decorated Purdue football player and coach.

Breakfast club was a tradition put on hold
this past year but is likely to return. The
returning of every home football game is a
time for students to dress up in costumes
to go up to the bars before the game starts.

Campus buildings

If you stay at the Purdue Memorial Union
hotel, check out the famous campus model.
It’s a inch to one foot scale model of the en-
tirety of Purdue’s campus.

The model is periodically updated to keep
up with changes made to campus.

You may also notice statues of every for-
mor president of the university, as well as
Abraham Lincoln.

This was done to commemorate Lincoln’s
contribution to establishing Purdue, and
many students believe that rubbing the sta-
tue’s nose will bring them good luck.

Located at Victory Field Hall is a display
honoring two Purdue professors that were
awarded Nobel Laureates, along with a rep-
lica Nobel Prize. Robert Brown and Irzh
Nagel both received the prize in chemistry.

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The Union Rack and Roll is in the basement of the Union and has enough lanes to accommodate a small gathering or a large group.

The model in the Union is a 1:100 scale model of Purdue’s campus and features Purdue landmarks with remarkable detail. Ross-Ade can be seen prominently at the north end of the campus next to Mackey’s signature gold dome.

Landmarks such as the bell tower and the engineering fountain are represented on the model. They provide a scale for how large the campus truly is as the modeled bell tower is no larger than 2 centimeters.

Seen above is the entrance of the Celery bog trails, the map displaying long and short trails that one can take.

Axe throwing has become a popular activity in recent years, with locations slowly opening up in multiple cities in the Midwest and along the east coast. Visitors can compete in games they have never played before, such as axe throwing.

The Union is a great place to wander through nature. The bog was originally a farm that supplied produce for more than 80 years in the area. However, today, more than 120 species call it home. The Lilly Nature Center can also be found at the bog and hosts many events for people to engage in.

The Celery bog trails are perfect for a short trip or a weekend-long camping event. Park around campus:

- Happy Hollow Park near Happy Hollow Rd, West Lafayette, IN 47906
- Celery Bog on Lindberg Rd, West Lafayette, IN 47906
- North of campus, Celery Bog is a great place to wander through nature.

Many outdoor areas around Purdue are ideal for the late summer and early fall. There are several parks around campus that are perfect for a short trip or a weekend-long camping event.

Outdoors

- West Lafayette Farmers Market at Cumberland Park
- Local vendors with produce, crafts and baked goods fill the park daily. One of these can be found next to Launch Apartments.
- Along the Wabash River, there are many trails to walk along.
- Another outdoor attraction is the Wabash Heritage Trail, next to Launch Apartments, and it will take you along the river.

Indoors

One of the Purdue Memorial Union’s best kept secrets is the Union Rack and Roll. Just head down the stairs, and you will find the blacklight bowling basement with arcade machines, a multi-lane bowling alley and more.

It’s a popular location for students because of its affordable prizes and frequent promotions during the school year. Bowling and billiards are currently by appointment only and can be scheduled through the Rack and Roll website.

Across the Wabash River, people can stop by The Spinning Axe, Lafayette’s first axe throwing venue.

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One of the biggest troubles for any Purdue parent is finding a convenient and affordable place to stay while visiting their students. Whether it be parents weekend, homecoming, or any of the six home football games or graduations, the rooms of early bird lodging reservations can leave parents scrambling for a place to stay over some of the most important days of the school year.

West Lafayette and Lafayette are home to over 20 hotels and inns options, all suited for Purdue parents should they find any open rooms. From Marriott chains to local inns, food and breakfast or even camping, it would take a huge event for Purdue’s lodging options to run thin.

Since the date for the annual family weekend was first announced on June 14, a flood of calls for reservations left over 75 hotels in West Lafayette and Lafayette overbooked for family weekend, according to the front desks of these hotels. The Double Tree hotel in Lafayette reported being sold out of rooms within eight minutes of Purdue releasing its parents weekend dates three weeks ago. At least two hotels reported being overbooked for homecoming, while at least three say they are full for graduation.

The Campus Inn in West Lafayette front desk said it still has availability for homecoming despite almost being sold out. The Quality Inn in West Lafayette is sold out for the whole weekend.

Parents looking to book now will likely have to look at options outside of the Greater-Lafayette area for a place to stay. Hotels around the two cities recommend the Union Club hotel, West Lafayette’s Campus Inn, or the Courtyard or Two Bridge suites in Lafayette for off-campus options.

Among locations left overbooked are the Union Club hotel, the Hilton Garden Inn, the Campus Inn in West Lafayette, the Econo-lodge and Economy Inn. A Purdue staple, the Union Club, which has been open for over a decade, hosts some of the finest dining and lodging options on campus. Rooms can include 55-inch LCD flat screen TVs, coffee makers, mini fridges, free wifi, and room service among other amenities, according to their website. The Union Club can also provide dining options for every occasion; it’s home to the Selmen Modern Bistro, One dinner, the Baker Up Bar, and Leaps Coffee and Artisanal Pastries for the morning.

The Greater Lafayette Convention and Visitors Bureau can provide parents with more information on open lodging availability for major weekends, according to a Purdue FAQ. They can be reached at 800-872-6648 or 765-472-9999.

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**Places to stay during family weekend and beyond**

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What to know about campus safety

BY HANNAH MITCHELL
Summer Reporter

Purdue has several features in place to maintain a safe campus environment. A police and fire station are located on campus near the residence halls, and emergency buttons can be found all across campus.

The buttons are illuminated by a bright blue light and each of the 300 are placed in a different spot on campus. Pressing the button immediately calls 911 on anyone who reports an emergency.

PUPD has 45 officers that respond to calls on campus and in some of the surrounding areas. West Lafayette is also covered by the West Lafayette police department and some areas are covered by the Tippecanoe County sheriff’s department.

Capt. Song Kang said the best thing students can do to protect themselves is to remain aware of their surroundings. He recommends students who live in groups, let people know when they are going or call someone while walking to keep them updated on their location.

PUPD offers a service called Safe Walk, where students, faculty and staff can call the department 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and request an escort to and from campus buildings if they feel safe walking alone.

If students are outside and feel unsafe, they can access police via the emergency call boxes: yellow boxes with blue lights placed around campus.

A trained member of the Purdue Student Safety Patrol or a PUPD officer will escort the caller to their destination.

Kang said the most commonly reported crime on campus is theft. “It’s a crime of opportunity,” he said. “Bike theft or theft of personal or university property” are very common.

Purdue is the only school in the Big Ten to have an on-campus fire department. It responds to about 5,000 calls a year.

Firefighter and paramedic Derek Hughes said most calls are for EMS. “We’re pretty general around campus with medical calls and staff like that,” Hughes said.

An electric skateboard and scooters become more common on campus, Hughes said the fire department has seen more injuries coming from accidents. He recommended students wear helmets to avoid injury.

He also advised people to control their driving and avoid tampering with residence hall smoke detectors.

Students can sign up for text alerts about campus safety through the purdue.edu/emergency. Purdue emergency also posts safety alerts on its Twitter account. Emergency phone numbers are located on the back of a student’s PUID and can also be found online.
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The statue of Neil Armstrong sits right in front of the Neil Armstrong Hall of Engineering. It's common for students to sit beside the statue and take photos.

Forney Hall of Chemical Engineering is one of many buildings that make up the engineering mall, a collection of buildings dedicated to the many different kinds of engineering majors that Purdue has to offer.

An airplane flies over the Purdue Village.

State street comes to life as the sun begins to set. You can usually find students roaming Chauncey Avenue, looking for fun nighttime opportunities.
Where to get care

Hospitals and medical providers closest to campus

By Keagan Slocum
Summer Reporter

Summer is fast approaching for college, and it’s the first time they won’t be under your supervision. And while independence will be fun, it’s also going to come with some questions that have usually been answered for them, like where to receive medical care.

They may find themselves with symptoms of an illness and not know where to get checked out, or do something stupid like fall off a skateboard and break their collarbone without the knowledge of where the closest emergency room is.

The Greater Lafayette area is home to a number of hospitals that you can access within a 10-minute drive.

Purdue University Student Health Center (PUSH)

PUSH is located at Stadium Mall Drive, in the heart of campus. It’s the primary health care site on campus and provides many of the same medical opportunities as regular hospitals and services that are important among college students.

PUSH provides care for patients suffering a variety of illnesses, whether they are serious, chronic or minor. There are also services that care for students experiencing disordered eating or need physical therapy and gyms, and immunization clinic.

Sexual and reproductive health is another medical service that PUSH provides. Sexual assault care, well-woman exams and STI treatment is available within this department along with counseling, behavioral and mental health services, OB/GYN, children’s health, family medicine, diet and nutritional services, women’s health, and emergency services.

PUSH is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays, with the last available appointment slot being 4:30. The office is open on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and is closed on Sundays.

CVS Pharmacy

CVS Pharmacy at Northwestern Avenue provides a Minute clinic where students can come in and get treatment for minor illnesses and injuries. It is located at Sagamore Parkway in West Lafayette and focuses on urgent care. The clinic takes care of conditions like influenza, our infections and sprains and strains. Its office is open seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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To embarrass, or not to embarrass

A parents’ guide to interacting with your kid on campus

BY KEAGAN SLOCUM & RICHARD JOHNSON
Markers, Indiana Times

While bringing your incoming freshman to campus this fall, you’ll have a great opportunity to do one of two things: make your mark as a cool parent, or embarrass the hell out of your kid.

If you’re looking to do the latter, we’ve got some tips for you. But if you think you’re a cool parent, stay tuned, because we’ve got some tips for you as well.

Do you even realize you’re being embarrassing?

A lot of times, parents will think they’re being fun or affectionate, when in reality they’re doing the exact opposite.

Take photos at every landmark

Loki, I got it. You want to capture every moment you can and that’s great. Even life is meant to be a collage of the memories you

A freshman keeps her cool talking to a new friend while her mother embarrasses her.

Ask every friend if they’re their significant other?

This move is a sure fire way to either play the part of a cool parent or embarrass your child.

Pass down Purdue apparel

Whether your kid knows it or not, they want to be the coolest kid on the block. And to be the coolest kid on the block, they must possess one thing: old Purdue merch. As a parent, and especially former Purdue graduates, this is right up your alley. Nothing is in, and surely, your kid would adore the old sweatshirts you have from your college days.

Apparel design changes with yearly trends, and sometimes, what’s new and trendy can’t compete with older designs. Coming from personal experience, I always get compliments on my second-hand Purdue gear more than my recently bought merch. Not to say one is better than the other, though. If you’re repping the gold and black, you’re automatically cool.

Ask to see the spots around campus that your kid is figure out where

This move is a sure fire way to play the part of a cool parent.

Go to frat parties with them

I won’t lie. Spending quality time with family is good, but sometimes quality time can turn sour. Sure, I love it when my mom and I go out to the park with a packed lunch and catch up on our daily lives before heading to the mall. And yeah, I love going to Cincinnati with my dad and watching the Reds play.

But do I want to watch my own mother, the woman who birthed me, crack open a case of Ted’s with Kyle and Cramer at Alpha Sigma Chi and see who can shotgun them the quick- est? Do I want to watch my parents hold my fa- ther by his legs as he tries to become the ‘big guy’? No. I don’t need my parents showing me

Your kid’s life, and they want nothing more than to show you what they’ve been able to find and live on their own.

Maybe they found a coffee shop on campus that serves the best latte, or maybe they want you to see how Knack Lawn comes to life as the evening hours. For as long as your kid has been alive, you’ve shown them the things that mean the most to you, whether it was your favorite John Mellencamp song or the woods your par- ents took you to go exploring. And now, it’s time for them to return the favor.

Help them find where their classes are be- fore the semester starts

Get lost, walk around the campus and help your child is figure out where

Help your child is figure out where their classes are, and help them find where their classes are be- fore the semester starts.

One fun thing to do that lets you explore the campus and help your child to see where their classes are be- fore the semester starts.

This can be one of the most important things to do before classes start, because Pur- due’s campus is pretty big. Almost everybody on campus can recall a time when they had a schedule so packed that they were late to all of their classes.

This will help you notice any commutes that are important among too long, and if possible change course sections after all registration doesn’t end un- til after the semester begins.

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A freshman keeps her cool talking to a new friend while her mother embarrasses her.

You don’t. Good luck at the scene of the Neil Arm- strong statue like everybody else. Your kid has the next four years to spend on this campus, let them explore every landmark and take the pho- tos there.
Hey everyone, you’ve probably heard of the Triple XXX, a local staple that’s been featured on the Food Network show “Diners, Drive-ins and Dives” for its signature burgers. One of the most well-known menu items at Triple XXX, for its experience, is the “Diane Parsley.” This hamburger is just like any other burger, only it comes topped with a globe of peanut butter. While it may not have been Gay Fert’s favorite, it’s recommended every diner tries it at least once.

Burgers aren’t the only thing on the menu; Triple XXX also has breakfast options starting at 7 a.m. that go all day long, so there’s no need to be something for everyone. Triple XXX also offers outdoor seating at picnic-style tables. This past year, it installed white tents around each outdoor table to provide extra cushion against COVID-19 and the elements.

Big Woods
Located across Northoverton Avenue from the Physics build-
ing is the “craft food, beer and spirits” restaurant Big Woods. The restaurant started in Nashville, Indiana, as a brewpub, catering to its website.

Big Woods offers everything from craft pizzas to sandwiches to sides at fair prices. Reservations can be made on its website.

La Hacienda
Down the hill in Wabash Landing is the beloved Mexican res-
taurant La Hacienda.

La Hacienda has plenty of options to satisfy your food cry-
ing. From quesadillas to fajitas to tacos, your food will be made fresh and fast—so come served with chips and salsa.

I’m pretty bored, as I usually stick to burgers, but you can’t go wrong with anything there.

Bru Burger
Just a quick walk over the pedestrian bridge into Lafayette you’ll find one of my personal favorite burger spots: Bru Burg-
er.

The burgers cost around $10 to 15, but they definitely make it worth your money with quality cooking and unique options. My friends enjoy the Mexican BBQ burger that comes with white queso, pickled jalapeno, guacamole, fried onion, house-made BBQ sauce, lettuce and tomato. I prefer to keep it simple with the garlic-cheddar cheeseburger, with, you guessed it, three cheeses and garlic, paired with a truffle aioli.

East End Grill
Situated in the midst of downtown Lafayette is East End Grill, which opened in 2016 to offer food made from fresh, lo-cal, quality ingredients, according to its website.

We offer a welcoming, modern yet casual space, which is perfect for anything from a business meeting to date night to a casual bite with friends before the game,” the page says. The dinner prices may lean toward the higher end, but with options like Flat Mignon and pan-seared Furse Island salmon, it’s worth the price.

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If you’re ever in the mood for pizza, Puccini’s Pizza and Pasta is a must-visit. Founded in Indianapolis, Puccini’s has been making Italian fare for over 30 years. The Puccini’s menu is expansive, including everything from pizza and Italian dishes like chicken to salads and sandwiches. It also offers 30 gluten-free dishes and vegan-cheese and veg-

The campfire comes with smoked sausage, sweet onion marmalade, gorgonzola and fresh rosemary.

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Haley Garrity, Sous Chef at East End Grill, cooks for the dinner rush at the popular downtown Lafayette, Indiana eatery.

The burgers cost around $10 to 15, but they definitely make it worth your money with quality cooking and unique options. My friends enjoy the Mexican BBQ burger that comes with white queso, pickled jalapeno, guacamole, fried onion, house-made BBQ sauce, lettuce and tomato. I prefer to keep it simple with the garlic-cheddar cheeseburger, with, you guessed it, three cheeses and garlic, paired with a truffle aioli.

If you’re ever in the mood for pizza, Puccini’s Pizza and Pasta is a must-visit. Founded in Indianapolis, Puccini’s has been making Italian fare for over 30 years. The Puccini’s menu is expansive, including everything from pizza and Italian dishes like chicken to salads and sandwiches. It also offers 30 gluten-free dishes and vegan-cheese and veg-

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What to expect for family weekend

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Family weekend is back. After its events were either canceled or scaled down virtually in 2020 due to the virus, parents will once again have an opportunity to spend time with their college kids during this three-day event.

To participate in events, parents must register through Purdue Today. In 2021, registration opened on Sept. 15 and closed on Oct. 23. Promo codes were also available for discount football tickets that year. Registration for 2022 has not been announced yet. A Purdue FAQ said ticket promo would be available in mid-June.

Parents and students alike will have no shortage of entertainment with a wide variety of games, events, and parties to be scheduled over the three days. One of its largest events, the Purdue football game, is at Ross-Ade Stadium this year. Family weekend will interest Purdue’s match-up with the Wisconsin Badgers on Oct. 23. The Badgers could feature a lineup that includes up to 15 senior stars, including eight on offense and four on the defensive line, according to Outkick, a football scouting website.

The game will be the first over parents-weekend since Purdue pushed through snow and rain in a game against the Illinois Fighting Illini. Illini took the Cotton Bowl Trophy after winning a battle in the trenches, making for 243 yards to Purdue’s 125.

The date for the annual weekend-long event was first announced on June 14 via a Purdue press release and as an email sent to Purdue parents. Events for the weekend are yet to be announced, but will be posted to the front page of the parents and family connections website and Facebook page when events are finalized.

Josh Gregory, the president of Purdue’s National Pan-Hellenic Council, said the atmosphere and卷心菜 with the NPHC will not be hosting events of their own. Gregory said NPHC members and their parents mostly thought of parents weekend as a time to casually spend time together without prior planned activities. Friday and Saturday classes will not be cancelled over parent weekend.

If parents cannot make it during that weekend, The Gattonian Letterboxing Committee and Vattert Bureau has a schedule of other important events that can be found on their website.

Purdue fans enjoy a women’s basketball game during the 2017 Family Weekend.

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A Purdue player clutches the chains of "I" and "P" links attached to the Old Oaken Bucket trophy.
What to expect from Protect Purdue

Students will soon find out the full details of Protect Purdue, as classes start Tuesday. The program is being rolled out in phases, with information being released beginning Tuesday.

The program, according to the university, is a comprehensive plan to ensure a safe return on campus. Purdue's own COVID-19 vaccine will now be available to students.

In an effort to promote a healthy and safe environment, all students, faculty and staff are encouraged to get vaccinated.

The university has also announced that all students, faculty and staff are required to follow the university's COVID-19 protocols, including wearing masks in public spaces, maintaining social distancing and monitoring their health.

The university has also developed a COVID-19 testing program for students, faculty and staff, which will be available to those who are not vaccinated.

In addition to the vaccine, the university has developed a COVID-19 dashboard to track the number of positive cases on campus.

The dashboard will be updated regularly, and the university will continue to work with local health officials to ensure that the community is kept informed of the latest developments.

The university has also developed a COVID-19 support system to help students, faculty and staff who are affected by the pandemic, including mental health resources.

In an effort to keep the community informed, the university has also established a COVID-19 hotline for students, faculty and staff to call with questions or concerns.

The hotline is available 24/7, and students, faculty and staff are encouraged to call if they have any questions or concerns about the pandemic.

The university has also developed a COVID-19 website, which includes information about the university's COVID-19 protocols, testing program and support system.

The website is located at www.purdue.edu/covid-19, and students, faculty and staff are encouraged to visit the website for more information.

The university has also developed a COVID-19 newsletter, which will be sent out weekly to students, faculty and staff, and includes information about the university's COVID-19 protocols, testing program and support system.

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Printing for the first time on Dec. 15, 1889, The Exponent’s journey is a long and winding tale. The newspaper struggled through the first several years of its existence, as it profited only by operating revenues and was forced to rent space from the university. It went through a period of alternately making and losing money, though student staff members were all volunteers at the time.

The Exponent existed as a Purdue entity until 1968, when then-Editor-in-Chief Bill Smoot challenged the university and the question of who controlled the paper became all the more important.

A column was published on October 23, 1968, which criticized then-president Frederick L. Hovde for allowing the CIA to recruit students for the Vietnam conflict, among other things. Hovde was angered by the column, so he removed Smoot as Editor-in-Chief. However, the 16 editors at the time refused to accept the decision, instead printing “We Will Still Publish” across the front page of the next edition, and “Smoot Will Continue: Staff” across the next. The firing of the editor led to a decision by a faculty-student-administrator committee called the Exponent Review Board that the university didn’t follow due process, so Smoot was allowed to stay. The same committee later decided that The Exponent would be come an independent non-profit, headed by the Purdue Student Publishing Foundation, rather than the university itself.

The Exponent used a windowless room in the basement of the Union hotel rent-free since 1933, but was required to pay rent to the university until it bought its own building on 460 Northwestern Avenue in 1989. The Exponent sold that building in 2017 to University Lutheran Church, but still operates there today.

In the same year, The Exponent switched to a twice-weekly printing schedule. The web edition (www.purdueexponent.org) was started in 1996. It was the first college newspaper in the country to build its own building and is one of two college newspapers in the country — along with the Harvard Crimson — that owns and operates its own printing press.

Today, the newspaper distributes 9,000 copies twice-weekly during the school year, and 6,000 during the summer. The summer staff consists of the summer editor as well as 6 full time student reporters, advised by Virginia Black, an award winning reporter and editor from the South Bend Tribune.

During the school year, The Exponent is operated by the editor-in-chief and nine to 10 other desk editors. It has almost 80 reporters covering everything from local news to athletics, photographers, graphic artists, composers and copy editors, and is one of the largest newsrooms in northern Indiana.

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