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Dining News

March is National Nutrition Month! University Dining Services and the Healthy Dining program will have tables around campus, March 3rd - 6th, with fun nutrition games, information, and giveaways. Contact Cass Ring, UDS Nutrition Coordinator, at cass.ring@okstate.edu for more information! For more information on OSU's Healthy Dining initiatives click HERE.

We Want Your Opinion

In an effort to improve OSU's Welcome Week events and the marketing of existing services we are asking for input from OSU parents. Please click on the

Spring Family Weekend and Mom's Day

This annual springtime event will take place on April 5th, 2014. Spring Family Weekend and Mom's Day give OSU parents and families the opportunity to visit campus for some fun, spring events before the final exam crunch. Highlights for the weekend are: A Botanic Garden open house, The annual Mom's Day Craft Fair, softball, baseball, and Spring Sing. More details can be found at: http://parents.okstate.edu/spring-family-weekend

Education Tax Savings

Remember these ways to save as you work on your 2013 taxes.

Tax Credits

Federal tax credits and deductions are available for families paying for their child's college expenses. The two most popular are the federal American Opportunity Credit and the Lifetime Learning Credit. While these can be substantial credits, up to $2,500.00 per student, per year, you must clarify your eligibility for these credits. The best place to start is IRS Publication 970 on the www.irs.gov website.

State 529 Plans

Just because your student is already on campus doesn't mean that you can't reap the state tax benefits offered by some college savings vehicles. If your state is one of the 34
link below to offer your input on student services at OSU. The survey is short and takes most participants only 5-10 minutes to complete. Parent Survey

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that offer a state tax deduction on money contributed to a 529 plan, then just "parking" the money in the account for the minimum amount of time before you send it to the college will allow you to claim this deduction. *Most plans require that money be in the account for 30-90 days before it can be withdrawn for qualified expenses. A helpful website for information on all state 529 plans is: www.savingforcollege.com

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Remember The Ten Run
Families visiting their student on campus during the weekend of 4-19-14 are encouraged to join us for the Remember the Ten Run. This annual event is in its 8th year and honors ten members of our OSU family who lost their lives on January 27, 2001. It also supports University Counseling Services in its work to assist those working through grief and trying times.

There are a number of ways to be involved in the run such as participating, volunteering, or sponsoring the event. More details at:

http://www.remembertheten.com