

The University of Alabama



Division of
Student Life

Parent & Family Programs

Parent Advisory Council Contract & Application 2022-2023

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Dear member of the UA Family,

Thank you for your interest in joining The University of Alabama Parent Advisory Council for the 2022-2023 academic year. Your partnership and involvement is critical to your student's success while they are at the University and your leadership and service are certainly appreciated on the council. We strive to build a diverse and dynamic group of parents each year; one that is dedicated to ensuring a positive support network for the entire UA Family.

Please review the attached information and then submit the [electronic application](#) by Friday, July 29, 2022. Applicants will be notified of their status in mid August. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Thank you for your interest!

Warmly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kj Sterritt', with a stylized, cursive script.

Kimberly Sterritt
Director
Parent & Family Programs

About Parent & Family Programs:

We know that well-informed and engaged parents and families enhance the student experience and promote student success. Parent & Family Programs educates, engages, and guides parents and families of University of Alabama students with the goal of supporting successful student transition, retention, and persistence to graduation. Currently, Parent & Family Programs provides resources and hosts various events throughout the year. Examples include, but are not limited to:

- Parent & Family Orientation
- Family Weekend
- Regional and Affinity Group Meet Ups
- Wednesday Webinar Series
- The UA Crimson Connection
- Parent Helpline
- Parent & Family Giving Opportunities

About the Parent Advisory Council:

Mission: The University of Alabama Parent Advisory Council is committed to advancing the mission of Parent & Family Programs, the Division of Student Life, and The University of Alabama.

Council Description:

The University of Alabama Parent Advisory Council is comprised of parents/family members of UA undergraduates who:

- *Serve* as an volunteer board for Parent & Family Programs initiatives
- *Act* as a liaison between UA parents and the Division of Student Life, forwarding insights when requested
- *Support the University* and encourage other parents to do the same by:
 - *Promote* UA in your community
 - *Contribute* to the Capstone Family Fund

Council Member Expectations:

- Serve a 2-year term as a council member. (option for renewal)
- Respond to Parent & Family Programs requests for information, insight, etc.
- Attend two virtual fall meetings, one in-person spring meeting (late February), and one late spring virtual meeting to learn ways to support students, discuss issues concerning parents & families, interact with University staff, and serve as the voice of all UA families. (PAC members are financially responsible for their travel to the in-person meeting.)
- Serve as a liaison to the Division of Student Life and Parent & Family Programs with any trending parent concerns so that we can focus our programs and resources to meet the current needs of all UA families.

- Participate in, represent the PAC, and facilitate any Affinity Group or Regional Meet Ups that you are relevant for you/your student.
- Promote “staying connected” with and represent the University among families of current and prospective UA students in your respective region.
- Stay informed and up-to-date of campus resources and share information about those with other UA families.
- Support the University by making an annual financial contribution to the Capstone Family Fund at an amount that is comfortable for your family’s situation.
- Volunteer with current programs and outreach (communication efforts, Family Weekend, Parent & Family Orientation, etc.); be a “go-to” parent for virtual Parent & Family activities.
- Serve as a resource to other families (Parent & Family Programs may refer families to PAC members for insight and guidance).

The following are some benefits of serving on the council:

1. Our in-person meeting is a good excuse to visit your student spring semester!
2. Council members get to know University administrators and learn more about UA programs and services. They also enjoy the opportunity to get to know other UA families and are active in the University community.
3. Previous council members have expressed their satisfaction in knowing that they are supporting and assisting UA students and their families as well as staying involved in their student’s education.
4. Parent Advisory Council members make a difference for many University of Alabama families.

Parent Advisory Council Attendance Policy: Council members may be removed from the council after missing two consecutive meetings.

Parent Advisory Council Application Process: For consideration on the 2022-2023 Council, you will need to submit your application by **July 29, 2022**.

[ACCESS THE APPLICATION HERE.](#)