

Campus Crime Prevention

The UNCP Police and Public Safety Department is taking a proactive approach to ensuring safety in the campus community. The department provides a variety of security services and crime prevention programs such as:

- Sixty-nine (69) closed circuit televisions located in various parking lots and buildings, designed to prevent criminal activity and assist Police and Public Safety in solving crimes.
- Operation PIN (Personal Identification Numbers): a program designed to help students and law enforcement identify personal property. UNCP Police will provide an electric engraver to students to engrave their personal property.
- In order to help protect students' bicycles, UNCP Police require that every bicycle operated on campus be registered with the UNCP Police Department.
- Sixteen (16) Code Blue Emergency Telephones are located throughout the campus. These phones may be used to request motorist assistance, escort services, or report emergency situations.
- Escort services offered upon request.
- Safety presentations given on topics such as drugs and alcohol, date rape, RAD (Rape Aggression Defense), and dorm theft.
- Anonymous crime reporting: Anyone wishing to report a crime anonymously, should complete the Anonymous Form located at http://www.uncp.edu/police/report_crime/form.htm.

Through the use of these programs and presence across campus UNCP's Police Officers address the diverse needs of students, faculty, staff, and visitors. If you have questions regarding any of these programs, give us a call at (910) 521-6235.

ONLINE COMMUNITY FOR THE PARENTS OF FRESHMEN STUDENTS

The University of North Carolina at Pembroke is offering a new resource for the parents of freshmen students this year. *Pembroke Parents* is an online newsletter that provides parents with valuable information about UNCP policies and resources, as well as tips to help students successfully transition into college life. Research suggests that students whose parents are involved in their education have better attendance, study harder and more effectively, show higher retention and four year graduation rates and demonstrate a more positive attitude toward their future. *Pembroke Parents* is an excellent way to stay informed and be involved in your student's academic endeavors.



Another benefit of the *Pembroke Parents* newsletter is that parents can communicate directly with UNCP officials by submitting emails via the "Ask Pembroke" feature. This feature gives parents a single, one-click resource to voice their questions and concerns. Once submitted, the requests are

time-stamped and forwarded to the appropriate department. Parents may specify whether they would like a response from the department via email or telephone.

In addition to the *Pembroke Parents* online newsletter, there is a similar site for UNCP freshmen known as *BraveWire*. Accessible from the UNCP homepage, *BraveWire* offers freshmen fast, convenient, up-to-date information regarding student life.

Each semester, *BraveWire* offers a variety of contests to increase freshmen involvement in campus activities and to enhance their overall college experience. We encourage you and your student to get involved!

If your student is a freshman and you would like to start receiving the *Pembroke Parents* newsletter via email, please contact Academic Advisor Darcy Hayes in the Center for Academic Excellence at 910-522-5708 or via email at darcy.hayes@uncp.edu.

Student Involvement

The UNCP community offers students opportunities that enhance their college experience. Encouraging your son or daughter to become engaged in extra-curricular activities may help them fill the voids in their daily schedules, affording them a productive use of their time while providing positive outlets for stress relief. Furthermore, participating in campus-based organizations may contribute to increasing your son or daughter's confidence and sense of pride. It is well documented that associations made in college enable students to develop enriching, life-long interests.

In addition to enhancing their college experience, campus-based activities may be the deciding factor in your son or daughter's marketability to potential employers. While UNCP classrooms provide the groundwork for your student's future, campus activities will help your son or daughter develop skills and qualities that employers seek. Leadership skills, time management techniques, and the ability to work with diverse groups are assets that may make the difference in your student landing that dream job.

For a complete list of campus organizations, please visit the Office of Student Life in the University Center or visit www.uncp.edu/sa/handbook/.

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It's A Date

March 5 - 9
Spring Break

March 14 - 15
Grad Finale

April 2 - 13
Seniors register for Fall '07

April 4 - 13
Juniors register for Fall '07

April 6
Good Friday Holiday (closed)

April 6 - 13
Sophomores register for Fall '07

April 9 - 13
Freshmen register for Fall '07

April 27
Classes End

April 30 - May 4
Final Examinations

May 4
Residence halls close at 5 p.m.

May 5
Spring Graduation at 10 a.m.

UNCP Briefs

◆ HOUSING AND RESIDENCE LIFE

Beginning on March 22 and continuing through March 30, students who want to reclaim their current room assignment for the 2007-08 academic year may do so during scheduled meetings in their facility. Students requesting a change in their assignment may accompany their new roommate at the meeting during this time. A third opportunity is by random lottery scheduled April 4, 2007. For more information, go online to www.uncp.edu/housing.

◆ GIVENS PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

Please join UNCP and GPAC for another wonderful and diverse season of quality entertainment. This exciting season features numerous performers, Broadway acts and guest speakers such as: *Nikki Giovanni, Ballet Hispanico, Pat Buchanan, Maurice Williams & The Zodiacs with Clarence Carter, Lost in Yonkers, James Brown and Urban Cowboy*. Please call the box office at 800-367-0778 to reserve tickets.

◆ COUNSELING AND TESTING CENTER

The UNCP Counseling & Testing Center offers a variety of workshops, classes, skill-building groups, support groups, and therapy groups throughout the year to help students enhance personal effectiveness and cope with the demands of college life. The workshops offered are developed to enhance a student's personal and/or academic development. For more information students should call 910-521-6202.

◆ CAREER SERVICES' PARENT LISTSERV

To receive announcements and updates about upcoming Career Center events, please join the Career Services' Parent Listserv by sending an email with the subject line "SUBSCRIBE PARENT" to sarah.francisco@uncp.edu. We hope you will find these announcements helpful in encouraging your student to take advantage of the services the Career Center has to offer.

Financial Aid: What Every Parent Needs to Know

Parents, here are some important things to remember when filing for financial aid:

1) File online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. It is faster than filling out the paper version and you are less likely to make errors.

2) Use your electronic pin number to sign the application. If you have trouble remembering your number, you can receive assistance by logging on to www.pin.ed.gov.

3) Students who received a loan this year do not have to do another promissory note. The

loan will automatically be processed for the new year. Remember that sophomores may receive \$4,500, while juniors and seniors may receive \$5,500.

4) Pay attention to the results of your FAFSA after it is processed. Some families are selected for a process known as verification. This means that you will have to submit other documents to the UNCP Office of Financial Aid in order to have your financial aid processed.

For more information, please visit www.uncp.edu/fa or the College Foundation of North Carolina at www.cfnc.org.