Below we have listed five WCU weekend “life hacks” for students and families to have the opportunity to enjoy their college experience.

1. **Campus Involvement Opportunities**
   - Head to festivals, historic events, and more!
   - Downtown West Chester Events
     - Enjoy talent and entertainment!
     - Catch a basketball game in Hollinger!
   - Athletic Events
     - Philadelphia
     - Take a Septa Bus into Philadelphia

2. **WCU Flu Fighters**
   - As flu season continues, it is important to encourage your student to do the following to prevent the flu:
     - Get the flu shot.
     - Exercise regularly and wipe down equipment after use.
     - Wash their sheets and towels weekly.
     - Get at least 8 hours of sleep.

3. **Spring Break Residence Hall Closing**
   - The students have only been back for the spring semester for a few weeks, but we are already thinking about the end of semester.
   - Spring Break - April 7-10
   - Residence Hall closing - April 13
   - Students should also visit the Office of Residence Life and Housing Website periodically for other scholarship opportunities.

4. **2020-21 WCU General Scholarship Application**
   - The 2020-21 WCU General Scholarship Application is now open!
   - Incoming first-year and transfer students who have been admitted to WCU as well as current students can submit this one application.
   - The students have until the deadline to complete the application.

5. **WCU Football Game Tickets**
   - Tickets for the next football game are available now.
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**Overview of Dates and Process Information**

- **April 7-10:** North Campus Room Selection for eligible students
- **March 20:** North Campus deposit waiver applications due, 4:00 p.m.
- **March 27:** Students notified regarding North Campus eligibility
- **April 20:** North Campus traditional residence hall closing
- **April 24:** Spring break - Residence Hall closing
- **May 4:** Final exams
- **May 5-9:** Spring graduation ceremony
- **May 8-10:** Commencement

**Important Dates and Deadlines**

- **February 2020:**
  - President's Day - No classes
  - President's Day - No classes
- **March 2020:**
  - Earth Day - March 22
  - Spring Break - March 30
  - Spring Break - April 3
  - Spring Break - April 7
  - North Campus deposit waiver applications due, 4:00 p.m.
- **April 2020:**
  - North Campus traditional residence hall closing
  - Spring break - Residence Hall closing
  - Final exams
  - Spring graduation ceremony
  - Commencement
- **May 2020:**
  - Commencement
  - Spring break - May 5-9

**Summer 2020 Information**

- **Summer Session:**
  - Session A: June 15 - July 12
  - Session B: July 13 - August 10
- **Summer Housing:**
  - Applications for North Campus Traditional Residence Halls are accessible to students in MyHousing.
  - Waivers are available at 202 Lawrence for students who pay $1,000 or less out-of-pocket each semester.
  - Students need to complete an application, which includes the submission of a $200 deposit.

**Contact Information**

- Office of Parent and Family Relations
  - Lexie McCarthy, Director
  - As always, please reach out with any questions, comments, or concerns.

**More Information**

- Visit the Office of Wellness Promotion website for more information.
- Learn more about this strategic plan and prevention activities currently taking place on campus in this month's First Friday video, which can be found on the far right side of my WCU login page.
- The President's Strategic Plan and Prevention Activities fact sheet is available online.
- For more information on the President's Strategic Plan, please visit the Office of Parent and Family Relations website.

**A Message from the President**

- West Chester University is committed to creating and maintaining a campus environment where health, safety, and well-being are key priorities.
- Three years ago, I convened a task force to ensure that we are following best practices in order to create a safe and welcoming environment for all members of our community.