Welcome to Carolina!

Dear Carolina Families,

As this year’s National Chairs of the Carolina Parents Council, it is our privilege to welcome you to the UNC-Chapel Hill family! With its top-notch academic reputation, the UNC community offers incredible cultural, social, and athletic experiences in an environment that strengthens academic stature, enriches student development, and provides supportive developmental services. Our daughter, Taylor, is starting her senior year as a Carolina Honors student majoring in psychology and minoring in public policy. Carolina is helping prepare her for our changing world with a high-quality education and outstanding collegiate experience.

The Parents Council is the volunteer leadership group, serving as a voice for all Carolina families as well as an advisory body to New Student & Family Programs. The Carolina Parents Council supports New Student & Family Orientation, Carolina Family Weekend, and other advocacy efforts. During semi-annual gatherings, members dialogue, and partner with faculty and administrators regarding current matters and issues impacting the Carolina community such as safety and wellness, student life, and undergraduate academics. To learn more information about the Carolina Parents Council, including how to join, please visit families.unc.edu.

Membership in the Carolina Parents Council supports the Carolina Parents Fund & Endowment, and awards $50,000 annually to student organizations, UNC offices, and academic departments. Since 1985, this program has granted nearly two million dollars to fund initiatives such as FallFest, Hauling Heels, Safewalk, Carolina Latinx Center programming, Womxn of Worth, Local Legends Honoring Black Excellence, Champions for Change, Campus EMS, and others, as well as student research, travel and publications.

Congratulations on becoming a part of the amazing Carolina community! If we can help during your transition, it would be our honor and pleasure to do so. Let’s collaborate on ways to get you involved so that we can continue to make Carolina an extraordinary institution for our students and families.
Go Heels!

James and Felice Corpening
National Chairs, Carolina Parents Council 2022-2023

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