Welcome to Carolina!

Dear Carolina Families,

Welcome to the Carolina Family! We are Ryan and Stacey Curtis from Gainesville, Florida and we are pleased to serve as the National Chairs for the Carolina Parents Council. Our daughter, Amelia, is a senior double majoring in biology and the classics and minoring in art history. She is a member of Alpha Epsilon Delta (AED), a professional pre-health honor society and fraternity where she serves as an executive board member. In addition, she is a volunteer at the UNC Cancer Hospital and most recently the UNC Health Care Friday Center COVID Vaccination Clinic. She is actively participating in research at the Center for Nanotechnology in Drug Delivery. Amelia is a member of the UNC Mascot Team and attends athletic and community events as “RJ”. Her Carolina experiences both in and out of the classroom have been everything she anticipated and more! We wish the same for your Carolina student!

The Carolina Parents Council is a volunteer leadership group that exists as a voice for Carolina families and advisory body to New Student & Family Programs. The Carolina Parents Council supports New Student & Family Orientation, Carolina Family Weekend, and advocacy efforts. During semi-annual gatherings, members dialogue with faculty and administrators about current matters impacting the Carolina community pertaining to student safety and wellness, student life, and undergraduate academics. Should you desire more information about the Carolina Parents Council, including how to join, please visit families.unc.edu.

Through membership, the Carolina Parents Council supports the Carolina Parents Fund and awards $50,000 annually to student organizations, UNC offices, and academic departments. Since 1985, this program has granted nearly 2 million dollars to fund initiatives such FallFest, Hauling Heels, Safewalk, Carolina Latinx Center programming, Womxn of Worth, Champions for Change, Campus EMS, and others, as well as student research, travel, and publications.

By virtue of your student joining the Carolina community, you are part of something very special. If we can help you during your transition, it would be our honor and pleasure to
do so. Congratulations on this new beginning for your student and your family, and may you soon come to know that in Chapel Hill and beyond, it’s always a great day to be a Tar Heel (#GDTBATH)!

Cheers,

Ryan and Stacey Curtis
National Chairs, Carolina Parents Council 2021-2022

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