Important Opening of School Details and Deadlines
Academic Year 2017-2018

August 28-30
Mon., 9:00 a.m. Academy Transitions (required for 9th graders)
Wed., 6:00 p.m. New Parent Welcome

September 5
8:00 a.m. Opening Day & First Day of Classes (required for all students)
3:00 p.m. Student Arrival and All-School Meeting

September 11
3:45 p.m. Back-to-School Night (required for all students and parents)
6:00 p.m. Student Activities Fair

September 27
8:00 a.m. BUA Parent Network Meeting

September 27-29
Camp Burgess (overnight retreat for all 9th and 10th graders)

Annual Forms and Tasks Checklist
All forms are available at www.buacademy.org/parentresources.

☐ Immunization and Physical Form including mandatory sports release (by August 15)
☐ Emergency Contact Card (by August 15)
☐ MBTA Pass Online Order Form (by August 15 for use on September 1)
☐ Physical Education Preference Survey – 9th and 10th graders only (by August 15)
☐ ImPACT Concussion Testing Consent Form – new students only (by August 28)
☐ Fitness & Recreation Center Waiver – new students only (by August 28)
☐ Terrier Card Convenience Points (purchase through Smart Tuition)
☐ Family and Friends Form
☐ Hometown News Release

Whom should I contact if I need more information?

| Annual forms including health records, MBTA orders, Terrier Cards, and Convenience Points | Aiysha Barr | 617-353-9000 | akbarr@bu.edu |
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Frequently Asked Questions
Here are some back-to-school favorites! A longer list is available at www.buacademy.org/parentresources.

Q. How do I access BUA’s online family portal?
A. The family portal is accessible from the Parent Resources webpage. Instructions for accessing the system will be sent to families at the completion of the summer maintenance work. Your family will be asked to review its online profile at the start of the year to ensure accuracy for the Student/Parent Directory.

Q. When will student schedules be made available?
A. Schedules will available through the family portal prior to the start of the school year. A hard copy will be in each student’s mailbox on Opening Day, September 5.

Q. When will the MBTA passes be available for pick up?
A. Passes ordered by August 15 will be ready for pick up on August 31. Families will be notified if the passes are available earlier. Orders submitted after August 15 may not be available until after Opening Day.

Q. I would like to arrange a carpool with families who live near my family. Can BUA help?
A. Families interested in connecting with others in the BUA community should search the Student/Parent Directory in the online family portal or solicit interest via the BUA Families Google Group.

Q. What does my child need to bring for the first few days of school?
A. Students should be prepared with class schedules, notebooks, writing implements, and course books for the first day of classes on September 5. BUA does not provide a school supply list for students to follow.

Q. What time does the school day begin and end?
A. The school day for 9th and 10th graders begins at 8:00 a.m. daily and ends at 3:05 p.m. on Mondays and Fridays, 2:45 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and 3:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. 11th and 12th graders are enrolled in classes at BU and BUA, which means students' schedules vary and may end later than the stated BUA school day. Building hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Q. What is the parking policy for parents?
A. BUA parents are allowed to park for free in the lot adjacent to the Academy building for up to two hours if they are visiting campus for school-related business. Drivers should notify the parking attendant that they are a BUA parent upon arrival. Please be aware that overflow parking will be at Agganis Arena while the 808 Commonwealth Avenue parking lot remains closed.

Q. How do I notify BUA if my child will be absent from or tardy to school?
A. A parent or guardian, not the student, should call the front desk at 617-353-9000 before 8:00 a.m. Planned absences must be pre-approved by Assistant Head for Academics Rosemary White (rosew@bu.edu).

Q. How does my child obtain a new/replacement Terrier Card?
A. New students will be issued their Terrier Cards during Academy Transitions or on Opening Day. Returning students should notify the front desk if they need a replacement Terrier Card. The replacement fee is $40. Terrier Cards are used to access the BUA building, therefore students should report a lost or misplaced card to the front desk immediately in addition to reporting it lost through the Terrier Card Center via Student Link.

Q. How can I add Convenience Points to my child’s Terrier Card?
A. Families can purchase Convenience Points through their Smart Tuition account by clicking on ‘Purchase Optional Items’ from the main navigation menu. Please allow 2-3 business days for the funds to be transferred to the student’s Terrier Card and available for use. Convenience Points balances are visible through the Terrier Card Center via Student Link; a BU Kerberos account is needed to access the site.