

Panther Family Association Meeting

September 17th, 2025

- Introductions for New Members
- Family Weekend volunteer list:
 - Are we still interested in tailgating? Does anyone want to join?
 - ♣ Pancake Breakfast (8:30-10): Traci, David & Julia, Jessica L & Jeff N (Sarah and Jason D can do either)
 - ♣ Tailgate (12:30-2): David & Julia, Traci, Katie R & Mark R., Jessica L & Jeff N, Steph & Tyler K,
 - What supplies do we need for the tailgate? (Budget: ~\$3000)
 - Tent (NSFP)
 - 6-8 ft Table (Tanya)
 - Chips and Cookies w/ PFA logo stuck to them
 - Stickers
 - Drinks
 - What can we sell?
 - Probably not food
 - 50/50 raffle? (Tanya will check on requirements)
 - Family Weekend/PFA T-Shirts
 - People can order before the weekend and then pick up at check-in or tailgate tent
 - Put a year on it so people want it every year

- One for PFA and one for general Family Weekend
 - Do we have access to power?
 - If not, slow burning food warmers
- Family Weekend PFA Informational Meeting and Elections: Saturday, November 1 from 11-12 Booth Library, West Reading Room
 - Positions Available: Think about if you would like to run
 - If you are interested in running, please email Taylor at tjwarning2@eiu.edu
 - ♣ Jessica L and Steph K is interested in anything except treasurer, Michelle R. is also interested in anything
 - ♣ President
 - ♣ Vice President
 - ♣ Treasurer
 - Membership chair that contacts people who still need to pay dues
 - ♣ Event Coordinator
 - Traci
 - Wade H.
 - ♣ Social Media Coordinator
 - Michelle R.
- Facebook/Social media pages:
 - Facebook
 - ♣ Pro: Good for longer announcements
 - ♣ Con: Events do not always show up on time

- Need to be mindful of the algorithms because it dictates how events are advertised
 - Instagram
 - ♣ Pro: Promotion, can be revisited later and reshared
 - Parents can utilize it for advice for their incoming student, learn about resources, and where they can go in the community
 - Groups for incoming new students until classes start and then dissolves once they get here(?)
 - ♣ Might be good for getting new student info out there
 - Can “double dip” by syncing Facebook to Instagram account
 - We also have a Panther Family Association website Tanya will update
- Guest speakers from across campus to discuss campus happenings at events/can we host webinars for all families instead of limiting it to just PFA folks?
 - President
 - Athletics
 - Fine Arts
 - Food Service (Housing and Dining)
 - Students/Student Organizations
 - Dean of Students (Jody Stone)
 - Belonging, Access and Engagement (John Blue)
 - UPD
- Next meeting: Wednesday, October 15 at 5:00 CST
 - Fall 2025 Semester meetings will be 3rd Wednesdays of every month!