On behalf of Western New England University’s Golden Bear Commuters, I would like to Welcome the Class of 2021 and Welcome Back to all upperclass commuters to campus! My name is Anna Pickard and I have played an active role in the Golden Bear Commuters for about 3 years and currently serve as the President of the organization. In my opinion, the start of a new school year at Western New England University is the most exciting time of the year. The Golden Bear Commuters organization serves to help every commuter become more involved and connected on campus. Some of the events that we promote are our monthly luncheons and Commuter Appreciation Day. This year, the organization is ready to organize new events for Golden Bear Commuters, like the Welcome Back BBQ on August 29. I hope that each and every one of you take advantage of the countless opportunities Western New England University has to offer. The Golden Bear Commuters is always welcoming new members, so please feel free to join in on our meetings anytime! If you have any questions or want more information about our meetings, please contact me at anna.pickard@wne.edu. I look forward to meeting you and good luck with your fall semester!

Special points of interest:

- **Welcome Back BBQ** will be Tuesday, August 29 starting at 4pm on Commonwealth Lawn.

- **Don’t miss your chance to GET INVOLVED** at the Student Activities Expo on Thursday, September 7 in Rivers Memorial at 12:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

- **Locker Rentals in the Campus Center** are available starting the first day of classes in Student Activities.
Welcome Back
Commuter BBQ

Tuesday, August 29 | 4:00 p.m.
Commonwealth Lawn (Rain Location: Rivers Memorial)

Raffle Prizes include: (4) FREE parking passes, $200 worth of Gas Cards and $400 of Bear Bucks for Aramark Dining Locations (must be present to WIN)

Sponsored by Golden Bear Commuters, Office of Student Activities & Leadership Development, Office of First Year Students & Students in Transition, Academic Success Center and Vice President of Student Affairs

The Office of Student Activities and Leadership continues to offer a limited number of lockers available in the Campus Center for commuter students to rent.

Locker rental fee (including the combination lock) is $10.00 refundable deposit.

Stop by the Office of Student Activities and Leadership Development, located on the second floor of the Campus Center, to get your locker starting Monday, August 28 at 9 a.m.
PARKING PERMIT APPLICATIONS - You apply for a parking permit through the University's Connect2U web portal, in the box titled "Forms." Fill out the form and submit the application. Stop by our office any time and pick up your parking permit. The cost for commuter student permits cost $30 per semester/$60 per year.
Looking to get involved on campus?

Check out the

Student Activities Expo

Thursday, September 7

12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

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For more information about these events and other events taking place on campus, visit [http://www1.wne.edu/calendar/index.cfm?tags=student-activities](http://www1.wne.edu/calendar/index.cfm?tags=student-activities)
GOLDEN BEAR COMMUTER COURIER

WNEU Alert*, a product of RAVE Mobile Safety is the new Western New England University emergency notification system. This system is the University’s means of notification to our community for emergencies, weather related announcements, and Student Activities alerts.

With it, the University can send emergency notifications straight to your phone. As a Western New England University student, you are automatically enrolled in this service; faculty and staff are, too. However, we encourage you to frequently log in to the system using your Connect2U ID and password to check and/or update your information. That way, we’ll be able to reach you in an emergency situation—wherever you are.

In addition to WNEU Alert, we encourage you to download the RAVE Guardian app, which transforms mobile phones into personal safety devices. With this app, you can create a virtual safety network, immediately connect with public safety, and even submit anonymous tips that can help keep the University safe. You can get more information about RAVE Guardian and its features by clicking on the following link:

Together, WNEU Alert and the Rave Guardian app can help us do what matters most: keep you safe. Please take the time to go to your account and verify your information and contact numbers. Also, please test the communication from RAVE Alert to your cellphone and e-mail address using the test buttons provided on your account page.

* Western New England University has contracted with the emergency notification system company Rave Mobile Safety to provide WNEU Alert. The service is free. (Standard text messaging rates may apply.) WNEU Alert will not be used to distribute advertising or other unsolicited content, nor will it be used to communicate routine notifications; the service is for emergency contact purposes only.
Commuter Connections Luncheons

Join the Golden Bear Commuters, Office of Student Activities & Leadership Development and the Academic Success Center each month for lunch on us. Take this opportunity to connect with your fellow commuting students and learn about services available on campus while having lunch.

September 26 \hspace{1cm} October 24 \hspace{1cm} November 28

12:30pm in Rivers Memorial

Commuter Connection

The Student Senate, the Office of Student Activities and Leadership Development and the Academic Success Center have established a Kodiak classroom for commuters in order to stay in touch and to be sure, you are not missing campus news or events. The classroom has been set up exclusively for the commuting population. The Commuter Classroom provides an opportunity to network with each other. It also provides a forum for the commuters to voice unique concerns or questions for this population. It can provide an opportunity to coordinate a carpooling system for those interested in sharing the cost of gas and rides to cut down on gas prices or in the upcoming months of bad weather. Let your voice be heard!
Don’t Wait to Seek the Help You Need

Do not wait until you are struggling to seek the support you may need in any of your classes. There are many different resources on campus that you can utilize to assist you in achieving academic success.

Have a specific course you are struggling in? Sign up for a Peer Tutor who will meet with you on a weekly basis to provide support throughout the semester. You can sign up for a Peer Tutor on the Academic Success Center’s webpage [here](#).

Having difficulty balancing your workload and managing your time? Stop by the Academic Success Center in the Campus Center to speak to an Academic Success Specialist. The main goal of the Academic Success Center is to support your academic goals and be there as a resource along the way so please stop in! Learn more about the services the Academic Success Center offers [here](#).

Struggling in your Math course? Stop by the Math Center in Herman 303 to see a Math tutor. You can either utilize their drop in hours or set up a one-on-one tutor. For more information and specific tutoring hours, access the Math Center’s webpage [here](#).

Need help writing an essay? Stop by the Writing Center in Herman 107 to set up an appointment with one of the tutors. To learn more, check out the Reading & Writing Program’s webpage [here](#).

All of these services are FREE!

D’Amour Library Hours

Monday - Thursday  7:45 a.m. - 12:00 a.m.
Friday    7:45 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Saturday  9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Sunday   12:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.

**Basement Computer Lab is open 24 hours**

Question or Concerns?

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