

Dear Saint Anselm Families,

We are looking forward to welcoming you to campus for Family Weekend! We know many of you have questions about parking and the new tailgating policy, and we want to share some important updates and clarifications:

Parking is free across campus

Parking on campus will be free, except in the designated tailgating zones. Please see the attached campus map. Free parking is any open legal parking spot in the Kavanaugh lot (by the baseball field), Dana Center lot, the East Lot (near buildings #26 and 27), the West lot (near building #10), the Visitor lot (near building #8), and the Building M parking lot (near buildings #11 and #15). We anticipate an additional 100 parking spaces on campus and the campus proper. Instructions for those additional parking spaces will be provided by those managing traffic and security on Saturday, September 27.

Tailgating policy

Tailgating is permitted **ONLY** in designated areas, and spaces must be purchased in advance. This is an institutional decision, made for all home football games, to ensure that the tailgating area is safe, organized, and enjoyable for everyone. In past years, the campus became overly congested, there were violations of open container laws, and access issues for emergency vehicles. This new approach helps us maintain order and safety. The over 300 Family Weekend tailgating passes **sold out** within the first few days of sales opening.

For families who were not able to secure a tailgating spot, the Picnic Grove (located between the South Lot and the Football Stadium) will be available for carrying in food and beverages. Please note that grills will not be permitted, and alcohol may not be taken outside of this designated area.

Additional parking options

Parking on campus will be limited, but the College is working closely with students, faculty, and staff to make as many spaces available as possible. Once on-campus parking is full, families may be directed to an off-campus auxiliary lot, with shuttles running to and from campus throughout the day on Saturday. *Shuttles will run from 10:30 am until 6:30 pm.*

Family Weekend activities

Tailgating is just one part of a full weekend of events. From the Abbey Players' performance, Fun Run, Welcome Reception, academic sessions, and athletic games to Mass and a variety of community gatherings, there are many opportunities to enjoy time together. We encourage you to explore the full schedule here: [Family Weekend Schedule](#).

We appreciate your flexibility as we work to create a safe and welcoming Family Weekend experience for all. Thank you for your support—we look forward to seeing you soon!

The Family Weekend Committee



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