WELCOME TO BOILERMAKER COUNTRY!

Although your student is now experiencing life on his or her own, family visits are more important than ever. While the motive of your visit may be to ensure all is well, there are plenty of attractions and beautiful areas in the community that will allow for some fun while visiting. Beyond Purdue’s campus, you will find a vast variety of parks, restaurants, and features that will leave a memorable experience for your family. Hike or bike some trials, learn about our county’s history in areas like Tippecanoe Battlefield and Prophetstown State Park, relax at our winery, chat at our two breweries, and visit our one-of-a-kind Wolf Park! Our vibrant downtown offers tree-lined streets with restaurants, shops, and art galleries that display our diverse culture. More details about downtown can be found online at ReadySetGoDowntown.com

Visit LAFAYETTE WEST LAFAYETTE

The team at the Visitors Center is here to answer any questions you may have. Stop in and check out the variety of brochures on the area. Or give us a call or email us for information. Want to stay updated on the community happenings? Let us put you on our mailing list to receive all of our newest information and our yearly visitors guide. We would love to help you and your family out any way we can!

Community
Supportive, friendly and safe communities with lots of extracurricular activities geared toward developing each student’s potential.

Support
Trained staff dedicated to student success — socially and academically.

Location
Halls are within walking distance to academics and a diverse range of dining options.

Variety
Several residences that offer a variety of living arrangements.

SUCCESS LIVES HERE

PURDUE UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY RESIDENCES

www.housing.purdue.edu

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UniversityResidences
At Purdue we encourage our young people to go hard, to lean in and wake up what lies within them.

There is an infectious energy on campus — a Boilermaker-style enthusiasm and curiosity for discovery — with plenty of creative elbow room for students to explore, think critically and make informed decisions.

No doubt, Purdue is a challenging academic environment where we have high expectations for our students, but we also provide great support. When it comes to inspiring students to achieve great things, our world-class faculty are innovative.

One of the most gratifying aspects of our Big Ten campus is our close-knit community, with abundant opportunities to get involved, learn and become friends with people from so many backgrounds.

At the core of what we do is Purdue’s Foundations of Excellence initiatives through which we deliberately design an academic environment and student experience with a focus on student success. Our commitment to you is that we always will put your students first.

On behalf of the entire University, I welcome your family to Purdue.
Parents and Family Programs

Purdue University Parent and Family Programs engages parents as partners in student success by helping parents and families understand the goals and expectations of the university community, serving as a central point of contact, and creating positive long-term relationships between parents, families, and the university.

Learn more about Parent and Family Programs online, www.purdue.edu/parents

Facebook

Purdue has a Facebook group for families of admitted students as well as a Facebook fan page for the parents of current Purdue students. The admitted group, www.admissions.purdue.edu/FamilyFB, will allow you to ask questions and network with other new Purdue families as you plan for your student’s enrollment. The current student family page, www.facebook.com/PurdueParents, will keep you in touch with Purdue throughout your student’s education.

University Residences

University Residences, Purdue’s student housing, offers a variety of resources for families of students living in the residence halls – online family guide, e-newsletter, parent advisory council, and parent association. You can learn about all of these by exploring the “families” menu at www.housing.purdue.edu.
Families of admitted students are encouraged to visit campus either during a “Purdue’s for Me” program for admitted students or during a “Daily Visit.”

Purdue’s for Me are full-day programs held on multiple dates during the spring semester. Daily Visits are admissions presentations and campus walking tours (about 2.5 hours total). Daily Visits are offered four times each weekday, except during school breaks. Families who plan to schedule a Daily Visit are encouraged to customize their day by attending a class, eating in a student dining court, scheduling an appointment with an academic advisor, etc. Saturday visits also are available during the school year, but Saturdays offer fewer options to customize a visit.

More information about Purdue’s for Me and Daily Visits is available online, www.admissions.purdue.edu/visit. To participate in a visit program, students/families must RSVP and are encouraged to schedule their visit well in advance of the desired date.

Visiting Purdue

Commercial Transportation

West Lafayette, Indiana, is located along Interstate 65, about 65 miles north of Indianapolis and about 120 miles south of Chicago. Shuttle services to West Lafayette are available at the Indianapolis International Airport and Chicago’s O’Hare International Airport. Amtrak railway and Greyhound bus lines also operate stations in Lafayette.

CityBus, www.gocitybus.com, provides transportation around campus and Greater Lafayette. Purdue students ride CityBus for free.
Safety on Campus

Purdue Police

Campus safety is of the highest importance at Purdue, and we are fortunate to have a community that strives to ensure students are as safe as possible. Key to this effort is the Purdue University Police Department. They maintain a visible presence on campus, address student concerns, respond to calls for assistance, and sponsor safety education programs.

They also work with other local police departments to serve our students who live off campus.

Working closely with the police is the Purdue Student Security Patrol. This student force assists at major campus events and also is involved with the Safe Walk program. Students patrol campus between 8 p.m. and 4 a.m. Thursday through Saturday and offer escorts to and from campus buildings 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Campus also is dotted with emergency telephones that connect callers directly to Purdue Police with a response time of less than two minutes.

Student Housing

University Residences also provide safe and secure environments for their residents through a variety of efforts:

Each fall, all Purdue residences sponsor educational programs on safety and security. The program includes distribution of information and special presentations by police officers and other speakers.

Residence managers include information on safety and crime awareness on floor bulletin boards and safety-related programming on Boiler TV (University Residences television).

Emergency Warning Notification System

Purdue is a large and complex institution, and people move about our campus freely. Despite advances in communication, there is no way to reach everyone instantly with a single message. However, our multi-layered approach helps spread the word quickly.

From University-wide “shelter-in-place” warning sirens to individual text and Twitter messages, Purdue uses traditional and modern technology to communicate emergency notifications to our entire campus community.

Purdue Fire Department

Community outreach is a priority of the Purdue Fire Department, whose services extend far beyond responding to emergencies. The department sponsors fire prevention and public education programs that encompass:

- Fire prevention, safety, and first aid presentations for Purdue students, faculty and staff
- Involvement with the Campus Safety Task Force
- Presentations during new student orientation programs
- Assisting students and faculty with research projects

More information about Purdue emergency services is available online at www.purdue.edu/emergency.
The Purdue University Student Health Center (PUSH) provides medical care through a high-quality outpatient facility staffed by licensed physicians, nurse practitioners, and mental health professionals.

Office visits to the medical clinic are free to all full-time students. Other services, such as urgent care, laboratory tests, x-rays, physical therapy, and ongoing mental health visits, are available on a fee-for-service basis.

Students must submit a medical history form by the first day of classes. This form documents proof of state-required immunizations. The form may be downloaded on the Student Health Center website and faxed or mailed to the address listed on the form.

The University strongly recommends that each student be covered by health insurance; families are encouraged to contact their insurance providers before their student arrives on campus. Please note that PUSH is considered “out of network,” and it would be cost-effective to determine if coverage is available prior to charges being incurred. International students are required to have health insurance.

Purdue’s Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) is a free service for Purdue students that provides up to eight confidential counseling sessions per semester (fall and winter).

For more information: www.purdue.edu/push or www.purdue.edu/caps.
Academic Innovations Engage Students

Purdue is an industry leader in developing innovative technologies to support learning. Our award-winning “studio projects” help faculty and students connect and interact through mobile devices, online social networks, and websites.

Signals
Signals is a computerized system that tracks student academic progress and warns them in real-time if they need work in certain areas. It detects early warning signs and provides intervention to students who may not be performing to the best of their abilities before they reach a critical point.

Hotseat
Hotseat is a social networking-powered mobile web application that creates a collaborative classroom, allowing students to provide near real-time feedback during class and enabling professors to adjust the course content and improve the learning experience.

Mixable
Mixable blends students’ social and academic lives into a more engaged learning experience through an online social network. The system builds online study groups from classes or learning communities and lets students contribute to these online groups through their Facebook accounts.

DoubleTake
DoubleTake is a mobile video sharing system through which students can capture, share, and watch videos using their smartphones. The system allows professors and students to evaluate assignments based on the video submissions.

Jetpack
Through Jetpack, professors can create collections of interactive media to run on students’ hand-held devices. Such media complement traditional textbooks and can be accessed anywhere.

For more information: www.itap.purdue.edu/studio.
Certificate in Entrepreneurship and Innovation

Purdue’s entrepreneurship program allows students from all academic disciplines to be innovators and entrepreneurs, whether they choose careers in start-up companies or larger organizations.

Through a series of five, three-credit-hour courses and related experiential programs, students learn the theory and practice related to starting and running new ventures.

The certificate program is open to students in all majors who have at least four semesters remaining in their undergraduate degree program. Upon completion of the program, students receive the entrepreneurship certification, which also is recorded on their academic transcript.

The program offers students a unique and multidisciplinary experience, provides an additional educational credential, fosters applied skills, and enhances job prospects and options.

For more information: www.purdue.edu/dp/certificate.

Office of the Dean of Students

The Office of the Dean of Students (ODOS) is the doorway to many campus services that help students thrive academically and personally. The office offers personal counseling; adaptive programs for students with special needs; leadership development opportunities; and even emergency, no-interest loans. If students need a service that ODOS doesn’t offer, the office will help them identify and access other resources on campus and in the community.

For more information, www.purdue.edu/odos.
Purdue Graduate Success

Each year the Center for Career Opportunities (CCO) surveys May graduates to determine whether they have been successful in their job search or successfully placed in graduate or professional schools. More than 90 percent of graduates respond to the survey, making this one of the most successful post-graduate surveys in the country.

Most years, over 90 percent of Purdue graduates report they are working within their desired career field, continuing their education, or have other confirmed plans (such as Teach for America, the Peace Corps, or military service) within six months of graduation. Related to this success rate is the strength of academic programs at Purdue. Employers know the quality of our students’ academic and co-curricular experiences and recognize that Purdue graduates will make immediate contributions to their organizations. As a result, employers literally flock to campus for job fairs and to interview students for internships and jobs.

Purdue Rankings Underscore Value

The Wall Street Journal’s SmartMoney, BuzzFeed, the Princeton Review, bestcolleges.com, CollegeMagazine.com and Money magazine all have recently listed Purdue among the nation’s best values in higher education. Citing factors such as the long-term value of a Purdue degree, the relationship between costs and graduates’ earning power, high-quality academics at reasonable prices, graduate success and great financial packages, these recognitions underscore the quantifiable value of a Purdue education.
Purdue University ranks Purdue as the country’s No. 3 university for best career services. And our Center for Career Opportunities (CCO) is the model for today’s college career center — a multifaceted resource that supports students and alumni with professional development throughout their education and careers.

Purdue’s size is one of its strengths. Students have extraordinary opportunities to customize their education and career development activities based on their individual interests and goals. For this reason, CCO encourages students to initiate a relationship with them freshman year, when they are planning coursework, deciding which clubs to join, and developing strategies for internships and other work experiences.

CCO engages Purdue students in exploring career options, actively developing career skills and experiences during their education, and developing effective job search skills. It also facilitates activities that connect students and alumni with employers and develops partnerships with Purdue colleges, schools, and other stakeholders to deliver career services across campus. In fact, on average, Purdue has 340% more on-campus job interviews than any other U.S. public university — that’s right 340%.

CCO services are available to students and alumni in person and online and range from individual consultation to web-based, self-help resources. Whether students are exploring careers, preparing for graduate school, evaluating opportunities for professional experience, developing a career plan, honing job search skills, or evaluating and negotiating job offers, CCO can help.

For more information: www.cco.purdue.edu.
Purdue students are extremely active on our campus and in our community.

They recognize that this is a point in their lives during which they can explore new interests; make new friends; and grow personally, professionally, socially, spiritually, and culturally. Some of our students’ most memorable campus experiences are the things they do after class.

By getting involved on campus, students gain skills that will benefit them in college and throughout their lives—skills such as communication, time management, organization, teamwork, conflict management, leadership, and many others. Student Activities and Organizations (SAO) oversees more than 900 student clubs and hosts an “e-sidewalk” through which students can easily identify available clubs and upcoming callouts for new members. With so many student organizations, there literally is something for everyone. But there also is a well-defined process for creating new organizations, which students do every year.

Purdue’s philosophy is that leaders are made, not born, and that all students have the capacity to lead. To that end, SAO sponsors programs that allow students to:

• Learn to lead a student organization
• Enroll in a leadership course
• Participate in a leadership conference
• Engage in a personalized leadership consultation with staff
• Utilize our Leadership Resource Center and our Facilitators student consultants

For more information, www.purdue.edu/b-involved.

MyMoney is an online resource for anyone who wants tools and information to help with money management—everything from following a budget to choosing the right investments.

The mission of this Purdue resource is to help individuals attain financial freedom by empowering them to wisely manage debt and increase their knowledge and awareness of topical financial issues.

Through collaboration with financial professionals, MyMoney is committed to strengthening the financial fitness of students, their parents, staff and others within the Purdue community.

For more information, www.purdue.edu/mymoney.

Greater Lafayette

(Left to right) Laura Demeter, Patrick Morrissey, Stephanie Knoth, Joseph Howarth, and Daniel Peter

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www.universityparent.com/purdue
University Residences
It’s true. Freshmen don’t have to live on campus — but most do. With 16 residence halls to choose from and loads of living options, there is a place for everyone.
Organized floor events. Study groups. Intramural sports. Residential life provides a safe environment with opportunities galore. Students who live in a residence hall earn better grades, have more leadership opportunities and increase their chance of graduating in four years.
For more information: www.purduehousing.purdue.edu

Cooperative Housing
Students develop leadership and life skills in a close-knit community where they pitch in with household chores to keep their living costs down.
Cooperative Housing provides abundant opportunities to get involved, learn, and make lifelong friendships in the seven women’s and five men’s cooperative houses on campus with membership ranging from 12–55.
For more information: www.purduecooperatives.org

Fraternities and Sororities
Greek life at Purdue helps to develop future leaders based on four principles: scholarship, leadership, service and friendship. With nearly 50 fraternities and 30 sororities, including multicultural options, about 18% of Purdue student “Go Greek.” Find a home away from home and make a difference.
For more information: www.purduegreeks.com

Living on campus is a great way to feel at home and make friends fast. There are many options of where to live.

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Building Community

As an inclusive, diverse campus, Purdue supports resources and facilities that foster on-campus communities as well as cultural exploration and celebration.

Black Cultural Center
www.purdue.edu/bcc

Founded in 1969, the Purdue Black Cultural Center’s long history testifies to the University’s commitment to cultural diversity on campus. The center provides purposeful, holistic, scholarly, and co-curricular programming designed to strengthen the understanding of African American heritage while enhancing the academic, cultural, and social development of the entire Purdue community.

The BCC is nationally recognized as one of the best centers of its kind. It serves as a catalyst for a wide range of cultural, educational, artistic, social and technological initiatives. It fosters cross-cultural exchanges and noteworthy research, as well as artistic expression through music, dance, creative writing, and meaningful dialogue.

Latino Cultural Center
www.purdue.edu/lcc

Established in 2003, the Latino Cultural Center (LCC) promotes diversity through education and cultural programs while serving as the heart of the Latino community on campus. The LCC sponsors educational, social, professional, and cultural events throughout the year.

LCC activities include service learning and engagement projects, language appreciation and education, cultural entertainment, and poetry and professionalism workshops. The LCC also sponsors an Embajadores program, through which the volunteer student ambassadors build awareness of Latino culture on campus as they develop personal skills such as leadership, team building, decision-making, and problem solving.

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Center
www.purdue.edu/lgbtq

Purdue has received 4.5 out of 5 stars for the LGBT-Friendly Campus Climate Index and the LGBTQ Center is a big reason why. The center serves the whole campus with educational programming, support services and events that engage the community on LGBTQ issues, helping to foster a discrimination-free environment.

Native American Educational and Cultural Center
www.purdue.edu/naecc

Established in 2007, the Native American Educational and Cultural Center (NAECC) fosters a culturally diverse and intellectually inclusive campus environment and serves as a second home for Native American students on campus. The NAECC encourages students’ personal and professional development by promoting activities that highlight Native American cultures and contemporary realities and by supporting student organizations that strengthen community bonds.

The center also is the primary point of contact for members of the LGBTQ community as it works collaboratively with Purdue and the community to connect students with enriching resources, activities, and support services that will help them be successful in college and beyond.

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Athletes and fans have a variety of outlets on Purdue’s Big Ten campus.

**Varsity Sports**

Purdue’s 18 varsity sports compete at the NCAA Division I level, and current students have enjoyed watching Purdue teams and athletes win Big Ten and national championships. Students are able to buy VIP “all sports” passes through which they can attend all regular season, home varsity sporting events. More information about Purdue varsity sports is available online at [www.purduesports.com](http://www.purduesports.com).

**Club and Recreational Sports**

Purdue Recreational Sports hosts activities throughout the year, including dozens of intramural sports, ranging from dodge ball to fantasy football. In addition, nearly 30 different club sports allow students to travel and compete against other universities. In 2012, Purdue opened the doors to an expanded and renovated recreation center, a student-requested project that increased the facility’s size by nearly 50 percent. More information about club and rec sports is available online, [www.purdue.edu/recsports](http://www.purdue.edu/recsports).

**Musical Performance Ensembles**

Students who seek musical performance opportunities, whether instrumental or vocal, have extraordinary opportunities at Purdue. Members of our musical ensembles have traveled across the country and around the world representing Purdue.

**Purdue University Bands and Orchestra**

Purdue Bands represents a commitment to excellence, from its tradition-rich “All-American” Marching Band to its award-winning jazz and concert bands, symphony orchestra, and athletic pep bands. There are no music majors at Purdue, so students from any major on campus have opportunities to perform through more than a dozen different ensembles that represent a wide range of musical genres.

**Purdue Musical Organizations**

Purdue Musical Organizations (PMO) is an extracurricular organization that houses a variety of vocal performing ensembles, representing all styles of music, including a traditional men’s glee club, a gospel choir, a women’s vocal group, and many specialty ensembles.

For more information: [www.purdue.edu/bands](http://www.purdue.edu/bands) or [www.purdue.edu/pmo](http://www.purdue.edu/pmo)
Important Purdue Offices

Office of Admissions
(765) 494-1776
www.admissions.purdue.edu
Undergraduate admission and prospective student visit programs

Division of Financial Aid
(765) 494-5050
www.purdue.edu/dfa
Administers institutional, federal and state financial aid for Purdue students and provides consultation services for students and families with questions about financial aid

Student Success at Purdue
(765) 494-9328
www.purdue.edu/studentsuccess
Programs and services to facilitate student orientation and transition to Purdue as well as success as Purdue students

Bursar’s Office
(765) 494-7570
www.purdue.edu/bursar
Financial information related to student accounts such as invoicing and payments for tuition, fees, and housing; as well as disbursement of financial aid funds

University Residences
(765) 494-1000
www.housing.purdue.edu
On-campus housing and dining services and facilities

Office of the Registrar
(765) 494-8581
www.purdue.edu/registrar
Academic scheduling, college transcript requests, student personal information, residency questions, enrollment verifications (for health or car insurance companies), academic records, graduation, and questions about the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)

Purdue University Student Health Center
(765) 494-1700
www.purdue.edu/push
On-campus medical, health, and wellness services for Purdue students

Information Technology at Purdue
(765) 494-4000
www.itap.purdue.edu
Computing services for students, including student computer accounts and educational discounts for software and hardware purchases

Center for Career Opportunities
(765) 494-3981
www.cco.purdue.edu
Provides a variety of services to help students and alumni with career preparation, development, and advancement
Resources for Academic Success

Purdue University has a vested interest in your student’s success and provides the resources students need to do well academically.

Faculty and Academic Advisors

All faculty keep office hours, through which students can meet with their professors one-on-one. Whether or not students need help in individual classes, it is strongly recommended that they visit professors during office hours for help with everything from exploring additional academic and professional opportunities on and off campus to learning more about the faculty member’s area of expertise.

All students have an academic advisor who is their front-line guide to course selection and other academic resources and opportunities. Students who are admitted for the fall will meet with their academic advisor when they attend the Summer Transition, Advising, and Registration (STAR) program.

For more information about STAR: www.purdue.edu/studentsuccess.

Academic Success Center

The Academic Success Center offers a wide variety of support services that are free and available to all Purdue students:

- **Supplemental Instruction** – Peer-assisted study sessions for historically difficult, foundational courses. Supplemental Instruction is designed to increase retention, improve grades, and improve graduation rates.
- **Workshops** – No registration is needed to attend weekly, one-hour workshops on topics such as time management, “acing” exams, increasing memory, surviving finals week, etc.
- **Professional Consultation** – Staff are available by appointment and on a walk-in basis to meet with students for one-on-one guidance and assistance.
- **Handouts, Videos, Educational Software** – A variety of resources are available online, in the center’s multimedia lab.

For more information: www.purdue.edu/studentsuccess/academic.
Online Writing Lab

The internationally recognized Online Writing Lab (OWL) offers more than 200 free resources to assist students whether they are accomplished or novice writers. Services are available online and in person and are extremely comprehensive, encompassing a vast range of editorial topics from creating outlines to writing research papers and from grammar and style to overcoming writer’s block.

For more information: owl.english.purdue.edu.

Learning Communities

A Learning Community is either a group of 20–30 students who take two or three of the same courses together, a group of students who share a common academic interest and live in the same residence hall, or both.

Through learning communities, students have a great way to make friends and learn the ropes at Purdue. Research results here and at programs across the country show that students who take part in a learning community earn higher grades, make friends faster, and graduate at higher or faster rates than students who don’t participate.

For more information: www.purdue.edu/learningcommunities.

Tutors

Tutors are available across academic disciplines. Some are free while others are available for a small charge.

For more information: www.purdue.edu/studentsuccess/academic.

Center for Preprofessional Advising

Purdue’s Center for Preprofessional Advising helps students prepare for admission to and success in professional schools (medicine, law, etc.) by providing services regardless of the student’s major.

Resources include:

- Individual advising
- Group workshops
- Guidance in preparing to become a competitive professional school applicant
- Assistance with professional school applications
- Career guidance

For more information: www.purdue.edu/preprofessional.

myPurduePlan

myPurduePlan is a web-based tool Purdue students can use to track their progress to their degree. This is a self-help tool that complements the guidance students receive from their academic advisor — to help ensure students are staying on track. One of the best ways students can stay on track is to average 30 credit hours of completed coursework each academic year. “Fifteen to Finish” is a phrase your student will hear throughout his or her Purdue education. It means that if they take 15 credit hours each semester, they are more likely to graduate in four years.

Academic Calendar

Fall Session 2015

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Spring Session 2016

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Welcome to Lafayette! West Lafayette

Two Great Cities. One Great University.

By any measure, the cities of Lafayette and West Lafayette are great places to live. Recent rankings include #3 on Lumocity’s list of smartest cities; #16 on Newsweek’s top 25 Greenest Cities list; #8 Best Small Places for Business and Careers by Forbes; and the #7 Best College Town and #8 Best College Destination by American Institute for Economic Research’s College Destination Index. And for those of you visiting, while your student receives a world-class education, you will find an abundance of things to do.

Ready. Set. Go Downtown! You’ll find awesome local-flavor restaurants, unique shops, a variety of entertainment options and much more. All set along tree-lined streets, with outdoor art and beautiful turn of the century architecture, downtown Lafayette remains the heart of our community with its active business, inviting public spaces and community festivities.

The local nightlife scene is alive and well. You’ll find live bands, pubs, clubs, local breweries and a winery. There is a variety of live, world-class, entertainment from events at Purdue University, our local Civic Theatre and Symphony Orchestra to events at Long Center the Performing Arts.

History buffs will want to visit the Tippecanoe Battlefield and Museum or Fort Ouiatenon. Discover the Farmstead at Historic Prophetstown where valuable lessons are uncovered. You will also find beautiful turn-of-the-century architecture throughout the community. In addition, we are home to Samara, a Frank Lloyd Wright home.

Wolf Park offers visitors a chance to “Howl with Wolves” or see how wolves and bison interact at this one-of-a-kind research facility. Other opportunities to enjoy outdoor activities include Riverside Skating Center, Celery Bog Nature Preserve, Prophetstown State Park, Clegg Botanical Gardens and hiking and biking trails. Columbian Park features Tropicanae Cove Aquatic Center, Columbian Park Zoo and Loeb Stadium, which hosts the annual Colt World Series each August. Golf enthusiasts will find challenges for all skill levels on nine affordable, daily-fee courses, including designs by Pete Dye and Hale Irwin. Stay-and-play packages are available!

Whether it is education, industry or just an adventure that brings you to Lafayette – West Lafayette, we look forward to welcoming you. No matter what you are looking for, our community is packaged and ready to deliver!

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Shop Downtown.

Downtown Lafayette-West Lafayette offers boutiques, gourmet cheese and wines, Farmers’ Market, historic theaters, fantastic chef-owned restaurants, live music and much more.
**Community Attractions**

**Celery Bog Nature Area**
The Celery Bog is approximately 185 acres of wetlands containing the Lilly Nature Center, the Scifres-Maier Woods Nature Preserve and miles of beautifully maintained trails.

**Columbian Park Zoo**
Opens in late April
from 10 a.m.—4:30 p.m.
Columbian Park Zoo is the 2nd oldest zoo in Indiana offering 190 animals representing 79 different species and offers education programs and events throughout the year. This is a hidden jewel in Tippecanoe County. Admission is free.

**Tippecanoe Battlefield & Museum**
Open 10 a.m.—5 p.m., closed first 2 weeks in January.
Home to the site of the 1811 Battle of Tippecanoe, Tippecanoe Battlefield and Museum is a 96-acre park honoring the battle. Complete with picnic areas, nature center, historic and scenic hiking trails, and the museum, visitors can learn about the Battle of Tippecanoe.

**Downtown Shopping & Arts Districts**
Downtown is a wonderful, vibrant and inviting place to discover. You’ll find local-flavor restaurants, unique shops, a variety of entertainment options and more. Stroll down the tree-lined streets while enjoying our outdoor art trail and historic architecture.


**Fort Ouiatenon**
Block house open May–September, 1–5 p.m.
Fort Ouiatenon was established by the French in 1717 as a fur trading post. Today the fort features a replica blockhouse, hosts the annual Feast of the Hunters’ Moon, and a myriad of programs and tours are available.

**Prophetstown State Park and Historic Prophetstown**
Starting in April, open daily 8 a.m.—5 p.m., 7 days a week.
Prophetstown State Park offers camping, a water park, hiking, biking, birding, and wildlife observation in acres of prairie, prairie wildflower beds, and wetlands. The park also is home to Historic Prophetstown. Historic Prophetstown offers a recreated prairie, a developing Native American Village and a working version of a 1920s farmstead complete with animals. Special events and programs are offered throughout the year.

**Tippecanoe County Courthouse**
The Courthouse, located in the heart of historic downtown Lafayette, is on the National Register of Historic Places and has been a treasure since the 1880s. A self-guided tour brochure is available, and group tours can be arranged through the Visitors Bureau.

**Wabash River**
“Clear water over white stones” is the rough translation of a French/Native American interpretation of “Wabash.” Although no longer a major trading route, the river remains important to our community and is celebrated through festivals and activities throughout the year.

**Wabash Heritage Trail**
Available throughout the year.
Unique wildlife observation and unparalleled views of the Wabash River can be found along this 13+-mile trail.

**Wolf Park**
Open May–November, 1 p.m.—5 p.m., closed on Mondays.
Dedicated to gray wolf research, Wolf Park offers a unique opportunity for wildlife education and is one of the few research facilities of its kind in the world. Howl with the wolves during Howl Nights on Friday nights, May–November and Saturday nights all year long at 7:30 p.m. The park offers bison demonstrations on Sunday afternoons from May through November.

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- **McCormick Place Apartments**
  2110 McCormick Rd.
  West Lafayette, IN 47906
  (765) 464-2444
  www.mccormickapts.com
  Please see ad on p. 33.

- **Purdue University Residences**
  West Lafayette, IN 47907
  (765) 494-1000
  www.housing.purdue.edu
  Please see ad on p. 3.

**Where to Shop**

- **Information Technology at Purdue (ITaP)**
  155 S. Grant St.
  West Lafayette, IN 47907
  (765) 494-4000
  www.itap.purdue.edu/student
  Please see ad on p. 31.

- **UniversityParent College Laundry Bag**
  www.amazon.com/gp/product/B00K0USTY6
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  www.amazon.com/Guide-Supporting-Your-Students-Freshman-Year
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  337 Columbia St.
  Lafayette, IN 47901
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  (765) 742-7410
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  www.gocitybus.com
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