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## Logsdon, Jeremy

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**From:** Keesey, Susan  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 11, 2024 9:23 PM  
**To:** Hussung, Jessie; Logsdon, Jeremy  
**Subject:** FW: 9/20 Presentation Schedule

FYI 😊 . Please share with our presenters.

Thanks,  
Sue

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**Subject:** 9/20 Presentation Schedule

Good afternoon, all!

Below is the schedule for presentations for the 9/20 Scholarship/Opportunity fund event. As a reminder, students will be to be prepared to talk to guests and answer any questions when they are not presenting.

7:15-7:30 EDD  
7:30-7:45 Psych  
7:45-8:00 STE  
8:00-8:15 ROTC

Let me know if you have any questions or concerns with the schedule. Thank you!

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**From:** Hussung, Jessie  
**Sent:** Friday, September 20, 2024 6:09 PM  
**To:** Logsdon, Jeremy  
**Subject:** Fw: You're Invited: An Evening Celebrating Scholarship and Success  
**Attachments:** OFC pull-up banners.pdf; Commons Layout.pdf; Student Showcase Needs.pdf; Garrett Plaza area parking map.pdf

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**Sent:** Thursday, September 19, 2024 8:58 AM  
**To:** Hussung, Jessie <jessica.hussung@wku.edu>  
**Subject:** FW: You're Invited: An Evening Celebrating Scholarship and Success

Excited for tomorrow!

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**Subject:** FW: You're Invited: An Evening Celebrating Scholarship and Success

Hi everyone! This email will have a lot of information with Friday's event, please share with anyone attending.

- Department chairs need to arrive by 6pm to attend the outdoor reception.



- Faculty and students assisting with the indoor portion of the event need to be inside the Commons by 6:30pm. Please see the notes below and attached about parking. Anyone coming by 6:30pm should NOT walk through the Garrett Plaza and interrupt the reception.
- Everyone will be expected to remain in the Commons until the guests have left. We are estimated to start tear down at 9pm.
- Please read Summer's email below and view all attachments to see where we will be set up, where you should park, flow of the event, etc.
- My number is 270-303-0033 if it is needed the day of.

Let me know if you have any questions!

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**From:** Bacon, Summer <summer.bacon@wku.edu>

**Date:** Friday, September 13, 2024 at 12:22 PM

Hello, we are one week out from the Opportunity Fund Celebration and wanted to communicate and confirm with you the details of the event, flow and items requested for your student showcase space (attached).

### **Invitation/Parking**

Below you will find the invitation and details of the event. We have reserved parking for our guests in the Hilltop, Hub and College Hill lots (map attached). We request that staff/faculty/students who are participating in the showcases to park in other areas at the bottom of the hill, so they won't have to walk through the reception to get to The Commons for the showcase portion of the night.

### **Event Flow**

There will be a reception with attendees in Garret Plaza beginning at 6:30pm. There will be a short program at 7pm in the plaza and then all guests will be invited to move to The Commons to engage with the showcases, eat and have conversations. After the showcase portion of the evening, we will gather the guests on the main floor (2<sup>nd</sup> floor on the wooden flooring) to view a video of three students directly impacted by the Opportunity Fund (Dallas Walker, Sports Management and Football Athlete, Bella Scott, Communication Disorders and Luke Phelps in Civil Engineering). The marching band will then play from the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor and the night will end. Please stay until the guests are finished with the showcases. At 9pm you can clean up your space.

### **Student Showcase Space**

As a reminder, the showcases should be student focused, student led and engaging. I know some areas are utilizing faculty and staff as well but want to make sure most of the communication is coming from our students. Please communicate with participants so they know the intention of the event and if they are scholarship recipients, please let them know what scholarships they receive. Please have everyone in the showcases prepared to begin no later than 7pm. The space should be neat, inviting and not cluttered. Our guests will be dressed in Business Cocktail so let participants know to be a good representation of the college or their discipline.

### **Setup at The Commons**

The building will be closed beginning at 3pm on Thursday for setup. Campus & Community Events staff will begin bringing tables in then as well. You can start transporting any items you need for your showcase then and know tables will be coming shortly after. I'll be providing black table covers for any table you requested (each areas request is attached). We will have your banners there as well (artwork also attached). The building will close at 11pm on Thursday and reopen at 8am on Friday. Only the first-floor restaurants will be open on Friday until 2:00pm and access will be limited for the rest of the building. We will need to remove all items from the showcases when the event is over at 9pm for normal business to resume in The Commons on Saturday.

### Rain Plan

In case there is inclement weather, and we must move the outside reception indoors, there will be a slight modification to the layout in The Commons that will only impact one college. For now, the weather looks good, but we do have a rain plan.

### Reminders

- We are being mindful of takeaways for guests. They will have food and drinks in their hands and would like to not have items for them to have to hold. QR codes to websites, photos, etc. are great to share.
- We will be sending a follow up email on Monday, 9/23, to guests who attended and a separate message to those invited who couldn't attend including the video and highlights from the night.
- Please pass along any feedback or anyone that needs follow-up from our staff regarding their giving or supporting our students and programs.

I appreciate your help and collaboration. If you have not sent me the names of your showcase participants, please do so by Monday afternoon in a direct message (rather than a reply all) for us to have nametags created. Those will be available in The Commons Friday evening. I am happy to answer any questions you may have and look forward to a successful event. We wouldn't be able to pull off an event like this without your support. Thank you!

If you need to reach me, you can call my cell phone any time – 618-534-4456. My office number is 270-745-4036.

Best regards,  
Summer



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**To:** Bacon, Summer <[summer.bacon@wku.edu](mailto:summer.bacon@wku.edu)>

**Subject:** You're Invited: An Evening Celebrating Scholarship and Success





You are cordially invited to attend



Friday, the Twentieth of September  
Two Thousand Twenty-Four  
Half Past Six in the Evening

Program Begins at Seven O’Clock

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