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Please refer to the Parents and Family program at k-state.edu/parentsandfamily and k-state.edu for updates about the university. If you have questions about this guide or suggestions for its content, please contact us at guide@collegianmedia.com. Collegian Media Group makes every effort to ensure the accuracy of the information in this guide.

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One of the most exciting ways K-State connects with parents and families is through our K-State Parents and Family Connections newsletter and portal. This resource is designed to provide you with all the up-to-date information about what is happening on campus and ways to support your student during the college experience. You can sign up now by going to our website: <https://www.k-state.edu/academic-success-student-affairs/parents-and-family-program/>. Additionally, the Parents and Family Program has a free hotline that parents and families can call with questions. The number is (785) 532-2222 and open for any questions you or your family encounter between now and college graduation!

Mark your calendars now for our signature event, the 96th Annual Family Weekend celebration held on Friday, September 27 and Saturday, September 28, 2024 (registration opens in late summer). We invite families to experience K-State, eat great food, and make memories with your student. Families can hang out at the pre-game Tailgate Party or celebrate your student at the Family Pinning Ceremony. During the ceremony, we welcome everyone into the K-State family including students who are the first in their family to attend K-State and students who are following a long family legacy of Wildcats.

Every year our program is looking for leaders to serve on the Parents & Family Advisory Board. This group provides a voice for K-State families for issues pertinent to student life. If you would like more information about this opportunity you can email parentsandfamily@k-state.edu. Additionally, you can also follow PFP on Facebook to stay informed and engaged with the K-State community.

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Fall 2024

AUG. 19

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AUG. 31

First home football game

SEP. 2

Labor Day — no classes

SEP. 27-28

Family Weekend

OCT. 4-5

Junction City Oktoberfest

OCT. 5

Walk to End Alzheimer's/Little Apple Marathon

OCT. 26

Homecoming game v. Kansas

OCT.-NOV.

Britt's Farm Pumpkin Patch Open Daily

NOV. 25-29

Thanksgiving break

DEC. 9-13

Finals Week

DEC. 13

Fall semester ends

DEC. 13-14

Fall commencement

Spring 2025

JAN. 20

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

JAN. 21

Spring semester begins

MAR. 15

St. Patrick's Day Race/events in Aggieville

MAR. 16-23

Spring break — no classes

MAY 12-16

Final Week

MAY 16

Spring semester ends

MAY 16-17

Spring commencement



K-STATE

traditions

ALMA MATER:

Get ready to sing along to K-State's Alma Mater! Written in 1888 by H.W. Jones, the Alma Mater was selected by K-State students in 1903 as the representative song for the university, rousing the loyal KSU fans to sing their school pride.

OPEN HOUSE:

K-State welcomes 20,000 visitors every April for the annual Open House. Attendees are able to visit K-State's campus and all it has to offer, from academics to exhibits, entertainment and food for a full day of family fun!

PURPLE POWER PLAY:

Purple pride is shown city-wide on Thursday and Friday nights before the first home football game. The community gathers in Downtown Manhattan to cheer on the team, enjoy samples of local cuisine and watch fireworks.

WABASH CANNONBALL:

Jump on your feet to join in on the next "Washbash Cannonball" during an athletic event. Synchronized motions of bending, clapping and twisting continue the grand tradition like generations of K-Staters before. Fun fact: the "Wabash Cannonball" was the only music to survive the fire of the music department in 1968.



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Watch with the Manhattan community as they celebrate the Greek houses while they parade through downtown, showing off creative floats and themes. The parade also offers a great experience for younger kids who love candy! Make sure to follow the crowd to City Park after the parade, too, when they announce the homecoming winners.



PHILANTHROPY 5K:

Join the hundreds of K-State students, faculty, alum and community members as they participate in the 5k walk/run for Greek Life philanthropies! The 5k offers an exciting start to the homecoming weekend, and is a great way to stay active.



FOOTBALL GAME:

Experience the energetic K-State fanbase in Bill Snyder stadium as they take on the Kansas Jayhawks and announce the 2025 Student Ambassadors! K-State football is full of tailgates, friends and family, so be sure to join the crowd in cheering on the cats.



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SHOPPING

1 ON THE WILD SIDE:

This eclectic shop accommodates those who enjoy hobbies out of the ordinary. From tarot and incense to all your herbal necessities and quirky clothing in the back of the shop, On the Wild Side definitely lives up to its name – and don't forget to greet their elderly cat, Star!



2 HOJA:

Hoja is woman-owned and run, and offers unique plants, gifts and decor for people who love the boho, earthy aesthetic. Hoja is great for beginner plant owners, too, and anyone who loves knick-knacks – and occasionally boasts a small dachshund named Corto, too!

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ACME:

Acme Gift and Acme Local are a staple in Aggieville. Local's sweet Manhattan-centered attire is great for Manhattan newbies or oldies, and Gift boasts unique knick-knacks, games and decor for anyone who loves some high quality, quirky products.

4 ELLEN'S PLANTED TEA:

Ellen's Planted Tea might sit between a few bars, but fret not. Ellen's focus is plants and tea! The shop is filled to the brim with greenery, both for beginners and the advanced plant caretakers. Ellen also offers loose leaf tea for tea-addicts who are searching for natural blends, and boasts the consistency that only small-businesses can claim.

MHK LOCAL

THE DUSTY BOOKSHELF:

For 126 years the Dusty Bookshelf has served K-State students and the community alike. Stop in to find a book or two, and maybe even a hot drink and a friend in the cozy bookstore!



THE WINGED LION:

Established in 2014, this is the perfect place to find elements that inspire, guide and create the vibe you desire in your home. From lifestyle products to textiles, the Winged Lion's unique atmosphere is a great shop stop in the Little Apple.



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9 THE COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT MANHATTAN AGGIEVILLE ★★★★★

The Courtyard Marriott sits on the edge of Aggieville, giving hotel-goers the perfect excuse for a night out in the 'Ville.

10 BLUEMONT HOTEL ★★★★★

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SO LONG SALOON

When you stop by So Long, order the Raspberry Bean Dip (shown on the right). Not only does So Long offer Tex-Mex cuisine, but it also provides an energetic atmosphere, top-notch drinks and unique burgers even the pickiest of eaters will love.



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TALLGRASS TAPHOUSE

Taphouse, located in downtown Manhattan, offers tons of variety to their craft beer-loving crowd, as well as tasty dishes to pair with their brews. Taphouse is more upscale than restaurants in Aggieville, so it's perfect for a higher-end evening with friends.



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MCCOOL'S

Stop in to unwind and try their bar food and drinks! Located in Aggieville, this joint is run by an alum of K-State.



G O U T

around town



WINE DIVE AND KITCHEN

Located in downtown Manhattan, this is a great option for a more refined experience and a quieter atmosphere. Try a more elegant dinner of dishes like succulent scallops and savoy duck, or indulge in fancier cocktails for a memorable evening.



LIQUID ART WINERY

Enjoy an evening in the Kansas Flint Hills with a glass of craft premium wine and a charcuterie board or artisan pizza at Liquid Art Winery. Their tasting room, with beautiful scenic views of the Estate vineyard, sits in the Flint Hills and is a reminder of Kansas' natural beauty.



PARKSIDE STATION

With a full service restaurant, bar and a pastry and coffee counter, this is a one-stop shop for every hungry stomach. Check out one of the newest restaurant additions to the Little Apple at Parkside Station!



THINGS TO DO IN MANHATTAN

18 SUNSET ZOO

If you're looking for an activity everyone will love, look no further than the Sunset Zoo! With continent-based sections, the zoo provides a well-rounded experience for cheap admission.

19 FLINT HILLS DISCOVERY CENTER

The Flint Hills Discovery Center is great for history buffs and casual learners alike. The center has outdoor exhibits as well as a theater and interactive simulations. At only \$10 per adult, Flint Hills Discovery Center is great for an afternoon of adventure.

20 MARIANNA KISTLER BEACH MUSEUM OF ART

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BLUESTEM

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Bluestem is a popular destination for coffee dates, meetings and homework-doers alike. Offering smooth espresso and yummy brunch and lunch plates, visit Bluestem on your next trip to Manhattan!



RADINA'S

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Radina's is a Manhattan staple, and gives customers a robust espresso option and delicious breakfast and house-made lunch food for people looking to sit inside, or those in a hurry. Radina's also sells handmade pastries and loaves of bread so you can take a taste of the coffeehouse with you.



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30 AUNTIE MAE'S PARLOR

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31 O'MALLEY'S ALLEY

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32 BOURBON AND BAKER

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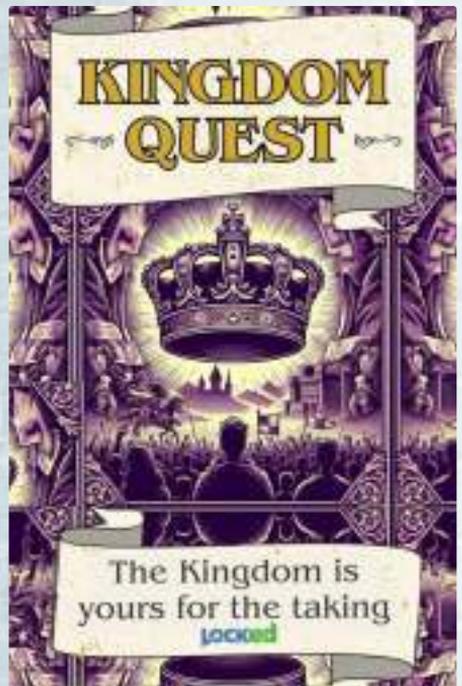
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PILLSBURY CROSSING

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MANHATTAN CITY PARK

Manhattan City Park is one of the oldest parks in the community, but holds its own. With a rose garden, daylily garden, aquatic center, pavilion and family center, several ball fields, tennis courts, basketball courts, playground and multi-use trail running along the outer edges of the park, there is something for all at this local hotspot.





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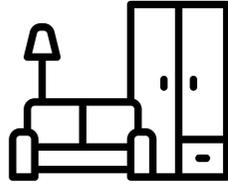
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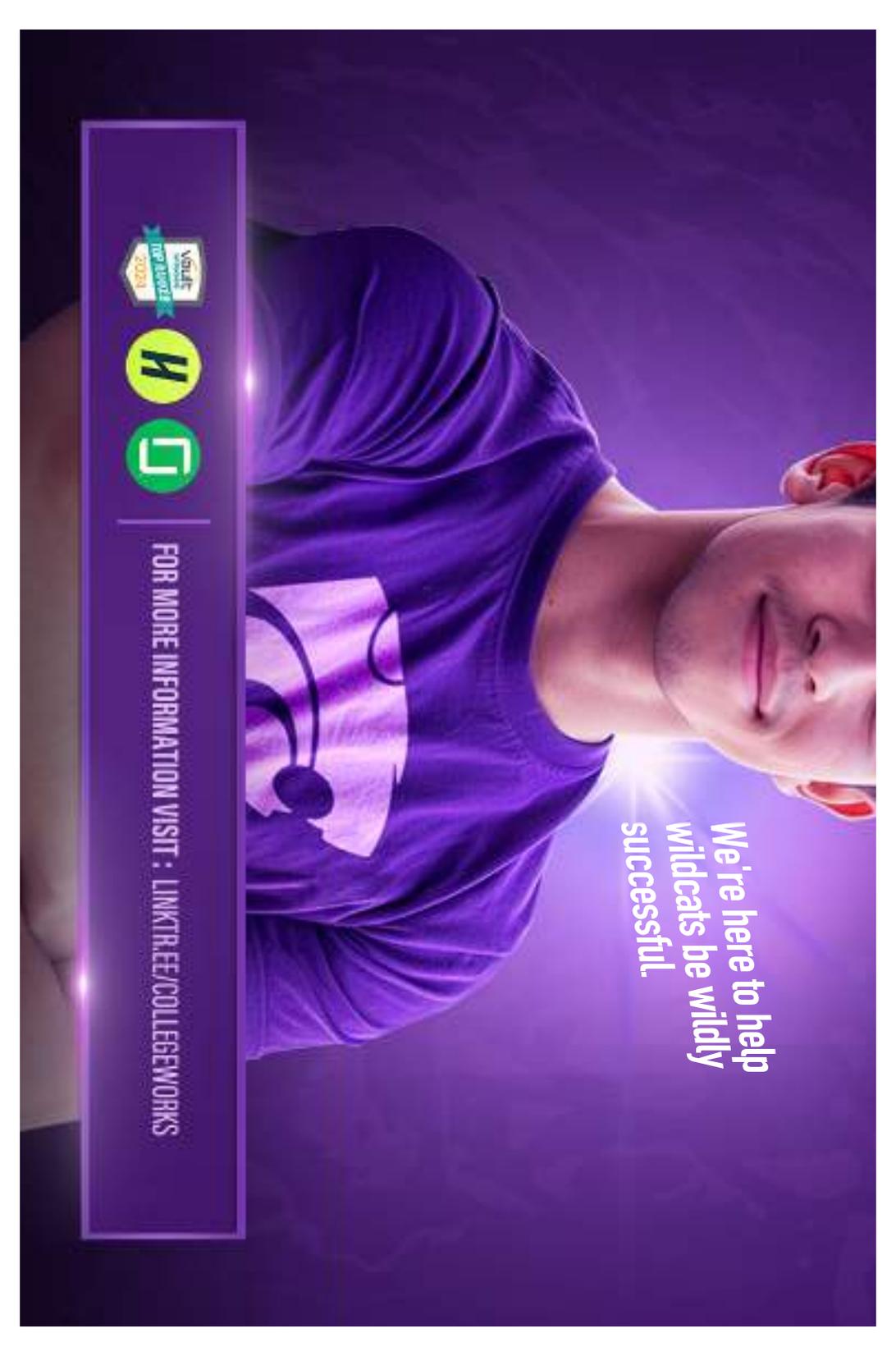
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