



# Parent & Family Weekend Schedule

October 2–4, 2026

We're excited to welcome our Eagle families back to Prescott for a weekend of connection, exploration, and fun! Whether you're learning more about campus resources, cheering on the Eagles, or simply spending quality time with your student, Parent & Family Weekend offers something for everyone. We encourage you to participate in as many events as you'd like while also making time to enjoy Prescott together.

## Friday, October 2, 2026

### Welcome Back to Campus

**11:00 AM–3:00 PM Check-In**

**Parking Lot E**

Start your weekend by checking in and picking up your Parent & Family Weekend materials, campus map, Parent Passport, and event information. Our team will be available to answer questions and help you plan your weekend.

**11:00 AM–4:00 PM Parent Passport Adventure**

**Around Campus (Starts at Check-In)**

Ready to experience campus like an Eagle? Grab your Parent Passport and trailblaze your way across campus as you visit featured offices, meet the people who support your student, and discover the many resources available at Embry-Riddle.

Collect a sticker or stamp at each stop while walking in your student's shoes and exploring campus from their perspective. Once you've completed your passport, return it to the Student Union Front Desk to be entered for a chance to win a special prize courtesy of Student Engagement & Student Union!

Who says adventures are just for students?

**11:00 AM–1:00 PM Pink Friday BBQ**

## **Quad**

Come hungry and support two incredible causes! Join the Student Veterans Organization for their annual Pink Friday BBQ, where they'll be serving up mouthwatering burgers and brats.

Embry-Riddle Prescott is proud to honor and support our veterans, and this event showcases the dedication of our Student Veterans Organization while also raising awareness for Breast Cancer Awareness Month. A portion of the proceeds will be donated in support of breast cancer awareness initiatives.

Stop by, enjoy a delicious lunch, meet some of our incredible student veterans, and help make a difference, one burger at a time!

### **11:00 AM & 2:00 PM Campus Tours**

**Library Porch, Building 43**

Whether it's your first visit or you've been here many times before, there's always something new to discover! Join one of our Student Ambassadors for a guided walking tour of Embry-Riddle Prescott and experience campus through the eyes of the students who call it home.

Along the way, you'll explore academic buildings, student spaces, and campus landmarks while hearing firsthand about life as an Eagle. It's the perfect opportunity to ask questions, learn about campus traditions, and see where your student lives, learns, and thrives.

### **1:00 PM–3:00 PM RiddleTalks**

**DLC Auditorium (Building 20, Room 106)**

Ever wonder what it's like to be an aspiring pilot, engineer, cybersecurity professional, intelligence analyst, or future space explorer? Here's your chance to find out!

Join several of our esteemed faculty members for a series of engaging mini lectures that offer a glimpse into the Embry-Riddle classroom experience. You'll sample fascinating topics from across our academic programs, experience the passion of our faculty, and get a taste of the curriculum that challenges and inspires our students every day.

Who knows? You may just leave class wanting to enroll yourself!

### **1:00 PM Crash Lab Tour**

**RASC I (Building 21)**

Step inside one of Embry-Riddle Prescott's most unique learning environments and discover how our students investigate real-world aviation accidents.

During this exclusive tour of the Crash Lab, you'll learn how students and faculty analyze aircraft wreckage, reconstruct accident scenarios, and apply engineering principles to improve aviation

safety around the world. From hands-on investigations to cutting-edge research, this is a rare opportunity to experience the fascinating world of aeronautical accident investigation firsthand.

Whether you're an aviation enthusiast or simply curious about how aircraft accidents are investigated, this tour offers an unforgettable behind-the-scenes look at one of Embry-Riddle's signature learning experiences.

### **1:00 PM–4:00 PM Fly with Your Student**

**Flight Line**

Eligible students have the opportunity to share an unforgettable flight experience with their families. *Registration is required.*

### **3:30 PM & 4:30 PM Planetarium Show: *Superpower Dogs***

**Planetarium**

Experience an inspiring planetarium presentation celebrating the remarkable abilities of working dogs and the science behind their extraordinary skills.

### **4:00 PM–8:00 PM Friday Fair**

**Rec Field 2**

Come experience the fun side of student life at Embry-Riddle! Join us for Friday Fair, our annual OctoberWest Celebration, featuring inflatables, entertainment, community performers, student organizations, giveaways, and plenty of Eagle spirit.

Meet members of our ERAU Royalty, connect with students and campus partners, and enjoy an afternoon filled with laughter, music, and unforgettable memories. Whether you're cheering from the sidelines, trying your hand at a game, or simply soaking in the atmosphere, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

**FIRST 100 families will receive an exclusive ERAU picnic blanket!**

### **8:00 PM Fireworks Celebration**

**Rec Field 2**

As the sun sets over Prescott, gather with fellow Eagle families for a spectacular fireworks display that lights up the Arizona sky. This beloved OctoberWest tradition is the perfect way to celebrate an incredible day on campus and create lasting memories with your student.

Bring a blanket, find a great viewing spot, and enjoy the show as we conclude our OctoberWest festivities and kick off the remainder of an unforgettable Parent & Family Weekend. It's the perfect ending to a day full of Eagle pride, family connection, and campus celebration!

# Saturday | October 3

## Learn, Explore & Celebrate

### 9:00 AM–10:00 AM Coffee with Campus Leadership

**Lower Hangar, Building 16**

Grab a cup of coffee, enjoy a fresh pastry, and join members of Embry-Riddle's campus leadership for a relaxed and engaging conversation.

This is your opportunity to ask the questions you've been wondering about, from student success and campus safety to future initiatives and life at Embry-Riddle. Don't worry if you can't think of a question right away; we'll have a few prepared to get the conversation started and keep the discussion flowing.

Whether you're looking for insight, reassurance, or simply the chance to connect with the leaders who help shape your student's experience, we hope you'll join us for this welcoming and informative session.

### 9:00 AM–5:00 PM Fly with Your Student

**Flight Line**

Eligible students have the opportunity to share an unforgettable flight experience with their families. *Registration is required.*

### 10:00 AM–11:00 AM Home at Riddle

**HRL Amphitheater, Outside of Hall 3**

Bring your family down to the Hall 3 Amphitheater for a paint-and-reveal activity where you take a seat across from each other and paint a live portrait. Enjoy the funny reveal and create a unique keepsake from this year's Family Weekend. Along the way, you will meet the Housing & Residence Life team and discover the resources and support available to your Eagle throughout the year.

### 11:00 AM–12:30 PM SGA Zoo Day

**Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary (Across the street)**

Looking for the perfect place to enjoy lunch with your student? Join our Student Government Association at the Heritage Park Zoological Sanctuary for a relaxing afternoon surrounded by some of Prescott's most fascinating rescued animals.

Bring your lunch, take a stroll through the sanctuary, and enjoy quality time together while meeting student leaders and exploring one of our community's favorite local attractions. It's the perfect opportunity to unwind, connect, and experience another side of life in Prescott.

### **1:00 PM–2:00 PM Health & Wellness Mixer**

**Chapel, Building 46**

At Embry-Riddle Prescott, your student's well-being is just as important as their academic success. Join us to meet the incredible professionals and programs dedicated to supporting the health, wellness, and overall success of every Eagle.

During this informal mixer, you'll have the opportunity to connect with members of our CARE Team, Success Coaching, Wellness Center, Counseling Services, and other campus partners who are committed to helping students thrive; academically, emotionally, socially, and personally.

Learn about the many resources available to your student, ask questions, and discover how our campus community works together to ensure every Eagle has the support they need to succeed.

### **1:00 PM–6:00 PM Eagles Soccer**

**Varsity Soccer Field**

Show your Eagle spirit and cheer on Embry-Riddle as both our women's and men's varsity soccer teams take the field in an exciting afternoon of collegiate competition!

Whether you're a lifelong soccer fan or simply looking for a fun way to spend the afternoon with your student, there's nothing quite like the energy of cheering on the Eagles from the sidelines. Grab your blue and gold, join fellow families and students, and help create an unforgettable home-field advantage as our teams' battle for victory.

Go Eagles!

### **2:00 PM–4:00 PM Parent & Family Tailgate**

**Varsity Soccer Field**

Need a break between matches? Join the Student Government Association for our Parent & Family Soccer Tailgate and recharge before heading back to cheer on the Eagles!

Enjoy refreshments, games, music, and great conversation while connecting with fellow Eagle families and student leaders. Whether you're grabbing a quick snack, relaxing in the shade, or sharing stories from your Parent & Family Weekend adventures, the tailgate is the perfect place to refuel before the excitement continues on the pitch.

Come for the soccer, stay for the community, and let's cheer our Eagles on to victory!

### **5:00 PM & 6:00 PM Planetarium Show: *Superpower Dogs***

**Planetarium, Building 76**

Missed Friday's showing? Catch another opportunity to experience this family-friendly favorite.

Experience an inspiring planetarium presentation celebrating the remarkable abilities of working dogs and the science behind their extraordinary skills.

### **4:00 PM–6:00 PM A Taste of Riddle**

**Earhart's, Building 45**

Pull up a chair and discover what makes dining at Embry-Riddle so much more than a meal! Join our incredible Sodexo Dining Services team as they share how campus dining keeps our Eagles fueled for success.

Learn about meal plans, dining locations, dietary accommodations, nutrition resources, and the many options available to students throughout the year. Best of all, you may even have the opportunity to sample a few chef-crafted favorites straight from our campus kitchens!

Come hungry, ask questions, and get A Taste of Riddle!

### **7:00 PM–9:00 PM Family Bingo Night**

**Eagle Gym, Building 80**

GAME ON! Think you've got what it takes to shout "BINGO!"?

Join our Board of Campus Activities (BCA) for an evening of laughter, friendly competition, and fantastic prizes during one of Parent & Family Weekend's favorite traditions. Whether you're a seasoned bingo champion or playing for the very first time, this event is all about making memories with your student and fellow Eagle families.

Test your luck, celebrate your victories, and enjoy an evening filled with fun, community, and a little healthy competition. Who knows, you just might leave with bragging rights and a prize!

## **Sunday | October 4**

### **Until Next Time**

#### **9:00 AM–10:00 AM Family Yoga**

**Rec Field 2**

Looking for a change of pace after a fun-filled weekend? Join us for Family Yoga in the morning sunshine and take a little time to relax, recover, and recharge together.

Breathe deeply, stretch it out, and enjoy a peaceful start to your final day on campus. Whether you practice yoga regularly or are trying it for the first time, all experience levels are welcome. Just bring yourself, wear something comfortable, and get ready to move!

It's the perfect way to slow down, reconnect, and prepare for the journey home.

### **9:00 AM–11:00 AM Farewell Family Brunch**

**Earhart's, Building 45**

Before you begin your journey home, join us for one final meal with your Eagle. Our Farewell Family Brunch is the perfect opportunity to slow down, reflect on an incredible weekend, and share a few more moments together before it's time to say goodbye.

Reconnect over a delicious brunch, reminisce about your favorite Parent & Family Weekend memories, and celebrate the exciting year ahead for your student. We are truly grateful you chose to spend your weekend with us and hope your time on campus has left you feeling connected, informed, and proud to be part of the Eagle family.

Thank you for joining us, we wish you safe travels home and look forward to welcoming you back to Embry-Riddle again soon!