

MEMORANDUM

October 5, 2012

Dear FIU family,

Homecoming Week is almost here! Homecoming is FIU's family reunion, an opportunity to come together as a family and proudly celebrate our traditions and accomplishments.

Traditionally, Homecoming is a time to welcome back alumni and retirees to their second home. But this is also a time for all members of the FIU family, especially faculty and staff, to come together and show their Panther Pride! I encourage all of you to get involved in the many events leading up to our football game against Middle Tennessee:

- This year, 65 offices registered for the [Office Decorating Contest](#). Members of the Homecoming Council will be judging this year's competition and it's great to see so many departments showing off their FIU pride and spirit! The winner will be announced during the Homecoming Game, so be sure to attend.
- On Sunday, October 7, join us for the [Panthermonium Concert Village](#) in Lot 6 (Parking in Tamiami Park) from 1-6 p.m. The concert village will include live performances, a battle of the bands, food trucks, and so much more. If you have a future Panther in your family, bring them to enjoy our Kid Zone. This celebration will be capped by the [Panthermonium Concert](#) at 5:30 p.m., featuring Kat Lane, Cobra Starship, B.o.B. and Kaskade. The Panthermonium Concert Village is free and open to the public, so we encourage you to tell your family and friends to check it out. To buy tickets to the Panthermonium Concert click [here](#).
- On Tuesday, October 9 at 3 p.m. we're having our [BBC Kickoff](#) in Panther Square, with music, food, kayaking and more!
- We have several exciting entertainment events throughout the week in the U.S. Century Bank Arena, including
 - [Panther Prowl](#) on Monday, October 8 at 6:30 p.m., featuring Yannis Pappas as Maurica, Hannibal Burress, and Mike Epps;
 - the [Panthers Got Talent](#) show on Thursday, October 11 at 5:30 p.m., where students, faculty and staff will show off their talents;
 - and the [NPHC Step Show](#) on Friday, October 12 at 6:30 p.m.
 - For more information on these events, including how to get tickets, please click [here](#).

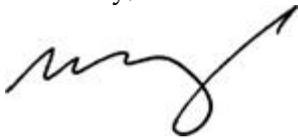
- And then we're ready for the big day, October 13, [Homecoming Day](#). This will be a day full of activities that will include:
 - the [Parent and Family Breakfast at 9 a.m.](#) If you're the parent of an FIU student, please join us in the Graham Center Ballrooms. To RSVP, click [here](#).
 - the Homecoming Parade at 3p.m. around Campus Drive. Employees who are parents of past, current and future FIU students are encouraged to march in the parade as part of the official "[Parents and Family of FIU Students Brigade.](#)" Everyone else can join the official grandstand area in front of the Frost Museum to watch the fun!
 - our family-friendly Homecoming tailgate in Lot 6.
 - and an exciting game against Middle Tennessee at Alfonso Field at FIU Stadium. We need all Panthers at this nationally televised game to show the world our pride in our FIU!

These are just some of the great Homecoming events. For a full list of activities, please visit: <http://hc.fiu.edu>.

Homecoming is our moment to shine. As the faculty and staff of FIU, I'm counting on you to make this a success by participating in one of our many Homecoming activities. Together, we can make this year's Homecoming Worlds Ahead!

Click [here](#) for a special Homecoming video.

Sincerely,



Mark B. Rosenberg

President

