

Procedures for fall break beginning on Oct. 14

Midterms are over and it's time to enjoy a well deserved break. Brevard College students are half way through the fall semester of 2017, and with fall break approaching BC students need to be aware of all the procedures and requirements for the break.

Before heading back home there are a few things that students must have completed before checking out. Once the formalities are done, all residents of BC are required to leave by 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 14.

There is a limited shuttle schedule accessible for people who need a ride to the Asheville Airport. Reservation for the shuttles provided by the campus for the different breaks are available on my.brevard.edu under Offices, Campus Life, Housing and Residence Life, Break Closing and Airport Shuttle Request.

Students with college-approved commitments (such as sports or other obligations) may be staying on campus.

For example, student athletes will have to stay on campus. The gym will be closed except for scheduled team practice sessions.

Myers Dining Hall will be closed until Thursday, Oct. 19, when it will re-open with limited hours. Coltrane will be closed until school starts again on Monday, Oct. 23.

All students staying on campus during break are required to have a legitimate reason approved by the college, and more specifically, by Beth Abrams, Director of Housing. This is also worth noting for international students who can't go home and will also be allowed to stay on campus.

Procedures and instructions for check out will be given by RA's the week before fall break.

— Florian Peyssonneaux

BC Paddling Club

River clean-up and community involvement

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Before the rains hit Brevard for the week, BC Paddling Club members gathered at the French Broad River to clean up trash along the banks. With the help of USA Raft, based on Section 9 of the French Broad, 11 students rafted and kayaked down the 4-mile stretch on Saturday, Oct. 7.

Senior McDara Folan works at USA Raft and helped provide rafts for the club to use. "It's always great to see people wanting to get out and help clean up the river," Folan said. "All the clubs help each other out here and it makes me glad to see so many people interested in serving the community."

Folan is the president of BC Greens, the environmental club on campus, and often finds himself involved with various clubs that share common interests. Isabel Edwards, a president of Paddling Club, felt the clean-up was successful and got a lot of people out on the water.

"Having access to rafts is a game changer," Edwards said. "We were able to bring so many more people along and it was a great time out on the water while we cleaned up litter."

The majority of the group rafting had never seen whitewater before and many of the students had never run Section 9 of the French Broad either. Two of the four students in kayaks had a personal first descent of the section.

"I was really impressed with how far I've come along in the past year kayaking," Gabe Neckolaishen, a junior WLEE student and paddling club member, said. "I used to be afraid of doing a wet exit [a way to exit the kayak safely underwater] and today I was chasing down trash in the river and felt really comfortable."

Paddling Club is committed to providing a community where novice and advanced paddlers intermingle, teaching and learning from one another. The club frequently interacts with the Western North Carolina community of paddlers and has recently been co-planning collegiate meet-ups with surrounding universities and colleges.

On Saturday, Sept. 30, the Clemson University Whitewater Club and BC's Paddling Club joined together on the Lower Green River for a begin-

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Participants of the Paddling Club service project hold up some of the trash collected during the paddle.