

Now is the time to start planning for your visit to Campus for Parents' Weekend. If you haven't made your hotel reservations, we recommend getting them as soon as possible. We will send out updates on different subjects (detailed schedule, parking, etc) as we get closer to the weekend. To make sure you don't miss any of them, join the Parents and Family Portal and the CFA Facebook page for your cadet's class.

This post is to provide the link to order your Parents' Weekend T-Shirts, Tote Bags and meals for Saturday's lunch. Before going to the link, you need to think through a few things.

Registration: In the registration form, I ask for your cadet's company and room number. I need this in case something happens and you aren't able to make it to Charleston. I will connect with your cadet and give them any items you ordered.

T-Shirts and Tote Bag

I really like the t-shirts we get. I still wear the one from 2018 every week and it still looks great. Take a look at the following link to help determine your size:

<https://www.apparelvideos.com/cs/CatalogBrowser?todo=mm&productId=1717> .

The T-Shirts have the Citadel Logo on the pocket with "Parents' Weekend 2022" under it. The back has "Proud of my Citadel Cadet" "Parents' Weekend 2022". The Tote Bag is a durable canvass bag with 12" handles. Shirts are \$24 and Totebags \$20 (*tax included*).

Because we are still fighting Supply Chain issues, the vendor needs our order by September 16th. So make sure you place your **order by midnight 15 September**. I do order a few extra, but not enough to count on one being there for you, so make sure you -

Place your T-Shirt and Tote Bag order before midnight September 15th.

I will close out the t-shirt and tote bag sales at that point. Also no refunds after the 15th. You can pick up your orders outside Buyer Auditorium, which is located on the second floor of Mark Clark Hall Friday and Saturday morning. I will provide details as we get closer the weekend.



Saturday Meals

You need to plan for your lunch on Saturday. The time for lunch is tight. Parade ends around 1050 (*cadets need to drop off rifles and change uniforms*) then the cadets need to be back on the barracks around 1PM to form up for the March to the football stadium. All but one option is close to the parade field. Make sure you discuss your plan with your cadet before placing your orders because due to the quick turnaround, some just go eat at Coward Hall then go back to their rooms for a quick nap.

1. **Coward Hall:** Enjoy a family style meal in the dining hall where your cadet eats. I do not have the menu yet but will publish it as soon as I know. What I do know is it's a filling meal. Your cadet eats free and family members pay \$14.00 each. Because the Band members have a much tighter window to eat (*last ones off the parade field and first ones to march to the stadium*), we invite their families to eat with their cadets in the Regimental Commander's Riverview Room (RCRR). I will look for the Band families from the registration form. Coward Hall is limited to 200 meals downstairs and 100 Band family meals in the RCRR. Although your cadet eats free, we need to account for them when you place your order.
2. **Deas Hall Boxed Lunches:** The caterer will provide 300 boxed lunches in Deas Hall. The lunches consist of a sandwich (*turkey, ham or vegetarian*), chips, granola bar, cookie and a bottle water. Table and chairs are available for seating or you can walk outside and find a nice place to sit. Your cadet is free (*you need to register them*) and families are \$17 each.
3. **The CFA BBQ:** This year the CFA will sponsor a BBQ lunch in Buyer Auditorium that is located on the second floor of Mark Clark Hall. I will have the official menu later, but count on pulled port, coleslaw, beans, cookie and tea/water. Cost is \$20 per person to include cadets. Limited to 350 meals. Come and support a great organization!
4. **The HAC BBQ:** Each week the caterer hosts a BBQ buffet at the Holliday Alumni Center (HAC). The meal includes pulled pork, fried chicken, coleslaw, baked beans and a drink. Costs are \$24 for each family member and \$16 for cadets. Limited to 250 meals. Keep in mind this is not as close to campus as the other venues. It's a good option for families who will not be eating with their cadet or if their cadet is working at the stadium. Upperclass cadets will have a better chance of making it there. They will also be allowing other customers to eat who are there for the game, so there will be more than 250 meals served. Ordering here guarantees you a meal.
5. **Other Options:** The Chick-Fil-A will be open, as will Starbucks. The lines will be long so be prepared to wait. You can also bring a picnic lunch and tailgate in the parking lot. I will warn you parking is very tight on campus that day, so you will want to arrive very early on Saturday morning to make sure you get a place to park (I'll provide an update addressing parking in a future post). Finally, some folks just wait and eat at the football game while their cadet gets a quick meal in the dining hall.

Notes on the meals –

- 1) Cost of meals include an 11% tax.
- 2) If you are only ordering meals, **the deadline is midnight October 2nd**

Finally, there is a \$2 processing fee for each transaction, so best to order meals when you order your shirts and totes.

I have included a planning sheet below, but if you are ready to place your order, [CLICK HERE](#).

Planning Worksheet

T-Shirts: \$24 each

Small _____ XL _____ 4XL _____
Med _____ 2XL _____
Large _____ 3XL _____
Total # of T-Shirts _____

Totebags: \$20 Each

Total # of Totebags: _____

Meals

Coward Hall: \$14 for Family Members/Cadets: Free

- 1) Family Members _____
- 2) Cadet _____

Deas Hall: Family Members \$17/Cadets: Free

Family Members: \$17 each

- 1) Turkey Sandwich Lunch _____
- 2) Ham Sandwich Lunch _____
- 3) Vegetarian Sandwich Lunch _____

Cadets: No Charge – need number to ensure we bring meals for them

- 1) Turkey Sandwich Lunch _____
- 2) Ham Sandwich Lunch _____
- 3) Vegetarian Sandwich Lunch _____

CFA BBQ: – Buyer Auditorium - \$20 per person

of Family and Cadet meals _____

HAC BBQ: Family Members \$24/Cadets \$16

- 1) Family Members _____
- 2) Cadet _____

When you are ready to order, [CLICK HERE](#)