



# join our community OF LEADERS

Dear fellow Eagle parents,

The day BC opened its doors to our daughter Kate in 2008, it also opened its doors to our family.

The University valued us as partners in Kate's formative journey, and it was through the Parents Leadership Council that we were able to work directly with BC deans, vice presidents, parents, and faculty to be voices of the University and support philanthropic initiatives that would leave a lasting legacy for students, the campus, and the future.

Nearly a decade later, we had the distinct pleasure of sending our second daughter to BC: Maddie, a member of the Class of 2021, has now just finished her sophomore year.

As Kate and Maddie were leaving the nest, it was important for us to help them find the right environment—one that offered support and guidance as well as the resources they would need to be successful. We are so grateful for BC's commitment to academic excellence, teaching and research, and formative education.

The PLC gave us the opportunity to join a community of BC leaders, parents, students, and faculty charged with equipping students like Kate and Maddie with the intellectual, spiritual, and ethical skills they'll need to go "set the world aflame."

On behalf of Boston College, we extend a warm welcome to you and your family and invite you to consider joining us as members of the Parents Leadership Council. We know you will find it a fulfilling and gratifying experience as partners in your child's formative journey.

Best wishes, Class of 2023!

Sincerely,

Susan and Habib Gorgi, P'12, '21

Co-Chairs, Parents Leadership Council



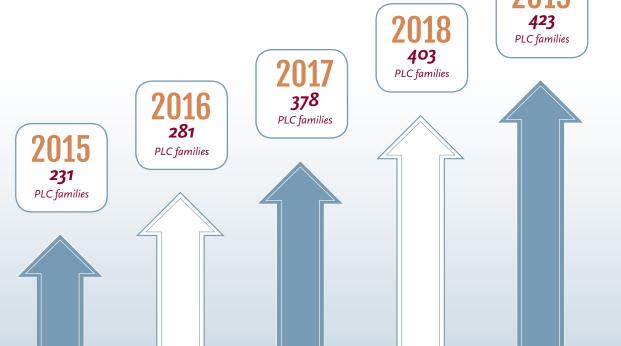
# **Engaged**

At Boston College, each and every student's journey to discovery is centered on Ignatian values of leadership, community service, and academic excellence. Parents play a pivotal role in partnering with the University to support, inform, and guide students, enhancing the experience of every undergraduate, fellow parent, and family.

The Parents Leadership Council (PLC) comprises a committed community of more than 400 BC families from all over the world who are passionate about strengthening Boston College, the role it plays in the lives of our sons and daughters, and its impact on our world.

#### ON THE RISE

From its launch more than 15 years ago, the PLC has grown to over 400 families from across the country and around the world.







PLC members engage with senior leaders as well as the University president. Opportunities to participate and provide feedback include:

- joining the PLC Annual Meeting, where members gather for a summit of discussion, feedback, and insights about the University, held during Parents Weekend;
- providing feedback on a wide range of University priorities—academic excellence, financial aid, athletics, and formation—in partnership with BC leadership;

 serving as University ambassadors by fostering relationships with other families and BC; and

 hosting and attending First Year Sendoffs, which are BC parent receptions to welcome families, as well as other regional events throughout the year. SAVE THE DATE

Parents Weekend Sept. 27–2



### Informed

**Participation** in the PLC is an invaluable way of staying informed and contributing to the future of BC students and the University community. Members will also receive access to BC's:

- Parent Impact Report, a detailed account of parent leadership-level philanthropy and its impact;
- PLC Conference Calls, held five times throughout the academic year, are
  interactive discussions with University leaders on issues directly impacting
  student experiences. Senior leader guests have included the provost, vice
  president of student affairs, director of athletics, associate vice president for
  Career Services as well as deans from several schools; and
- Parent Newsletter, a monthly email communication featuring signature BC programs, events, and initiatives.



## Invested



**Through their philanthropic investment** and advocacy, PLC members make a measurable and immediate impact at BC by:

- supporting BC with an annual leadership gift of \$10,000 or more to join a
  prestigious community that works directly with BC leaders to shape its students,
  campus, and future; and
- becoming a member of the 1863 Society, at either a Gasson or Monan level, which unlocks additional opportunities to interact with fellow members of the BC community who have prioritized the University in their philanthropy.

By being part of the PLC, you really understand what Boston College is about—its philosophy, programs, and goals—and that gives us the ability to better communicate with our son and guide him. And as our involvement with the school grows, we too grow as parents."

—Tanya M. Cozzarelli and Juan Pablo Benavides, P'22





For more information on the Parents Leadership Council and how to join, visit: **bc.edu/plc**.

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