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Susan Kittle, Catawba Parent

CAMPUS LIFE
Catawba is ranked as one of the best colleges in the nation by The Princeton Review. Our high marks for “Quality of Life” reflect the positive experience students have as part of a welcoming and diverse campus community.

HEALTH & SAFETY
The Catawba campus is patrolled 24/7 by the Office of Public Safety, which also provides a campus escort service. Our campus Health Center is staffed by a registered nurse five days a week, and a major medical center is located within a mile of campus.

ONE CARD FOR MEALS & EXPENSES
We’ve made it easy for your student to access their budget for meals and supplies. The multipurpose campus identification card lets your student use their meal plan credits to purchase food on campus, buy books, make copies, and more!

FAMILY WEEKEND
Every fall, you’ll be invited to take part in a weekend of family-focused events on campus to mingle with faculty, meet other families, and enjoy our Catawba hospitality.

CARING TRADITIONS
We’ve created ways for you to show your love and support, even from a distance. You’ll have the opportunity to order an exam survival pack or end of semester care package for your student, or send them a celebratory cake. You’ll even benefit Catawba clubs when you do.

TIPS FOR PARENTS
We offer a host of tips and resources just for parents, from fostering self-responsibility to helping your student define their interests and abilities.

CATAWBA.EDU/PARENTS

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**FREE COUNSELING SERVICES**

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**A FOUNDATION FOR SUCCESS**

The First-Year Experience is a complete set of programs for new students to set them up for academic success and connect with the community. Students begin their first semester with a retreat to get to know their peers and professors. The First-Year Seminar course helps them get acquainted with college life and hone their study and research skills.

**A SENSE OF BELONGING**

Catawba’s close-knit community is an ideal environment for forming friendships and getting involved. We offer more than 40 student clubs and organizations, a fully-equipped wellness center, and a central student center that serves as the hub for campus dining, gathering, and events.

**WORK-WORLD EXPERIENCE**

As a parent, you can feel confident that your student will get the work-world experience they need to prepare them for life after college. Research and internship programs are an integral part of the Catawba experience, and the results speak for themselves: 96 percent of recent graduates had a job or were in grad school within a year of graduation.

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