#### Your Blue Jay is Now Ready to Soar!



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## College Student Development

- From the ages of 18-25, emerging adulthood, college students are building their identity (Brewer, Nicotera, Veeh, & Laser-Maira, 2018)
- This is an opportunity for them to take *risks* and build their *self-efficacy*. In order to do that they need to have more *autonomy*.
- *Challenges* and *setbacks* are a normal part of emerging adulthood and the college transition





### **Common Stressors**

- Academic
  - Managing multiple deadlines and assignments
  - Imposter syndrome Do I belong here?
- Social
  - Maintaining balance between academic life and social life
  - Establishing social connections
- COVID-19 Related Stress





### Family Involvement in College Student Development

- Parental involvement is important in development of social, emotional, and cognitive adjustment (Darlow, Norvilities, & Schuetze, 2017).
- *Overparenting* can make students feel less competent and more vulnerable to stressors.
- *Supportive parenting* improves overall well-being and self-efficacy.





# Effective Parenting <u>Strategies</u>

- Utilizing Active Listening
- Setting firm/clear expectations
- Encouraging Problem Solving
  - What are your options?
  - What resources are available?
  - Are there any faculty, staff, or peers you can reach out to for support?





# Effective Parenting Strategies

- Modeling/Encouraging healthy behaviors
  - Establishing a regular, structured schedule including breaks and exercise
  - Connecting with nature (American Psychological Association. (2020, April). Nurtured by nature. *Monitor on Psychology*, *51*(3).
  - Creating a designated workspace
  - Implementing a regular sleep/wake schedule





### Resources

- Professors and Teaching Assistants
- Academic Advisors
- First Year Mentors
- Calm app https://www.calm.com/jhu
- Silver Cloud https://jhu.silvercloudhealth.com/signup/





#### Resources

elv.md/fag/mental-telehealth

- TimelyMD
  - use service key "JHU2020"
- JHU Wellness website
- A Place to Talk –Z Peer Listening Service
  - Zoom room is open Tuesdays & Thursdays 9 11 pm EST and Wednesdays 11 am 1 pm EST.
- Counseling Center https://studentaileins.jhu.edu/counselingcenter/









