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For Immediate Release **Ouachita admissions counseling invites high school students to visit campus**  *By McKenzie Cranford* September 10, 2014 For more information, contact OBU's news bureau at <u>newsbureau@obu.edu</u> or (870) 245-5208

ARKADELPHIA, Ark.—Ouachita Baptist University's Office of Admissions Counseling will host a fall Preview Day for high school students and their parents on Saturday, Sept.13. Preview Day is the first of many campus visit events, such as the GROW overnight event during Homecoming Week and monthly Tiger Days, available to prospective students.

"Visiting campus is vital when searching for the college that fits best," said Aaryn Elliott, a senior early childhood education major from Bentonville, Ark. "It's your chance to physically walk the campus that you could soon be calling home.

"Personally, taking a campus tour made all the difference for me," Elliot said. "Being the 19th person in my family to attend Ouachita, I thought I knew exactly all that it had to offer. However, when I took my own tour I saw what OBU could be just for me."

Preview Day on Sept. 13 is the only weekend event and coincides with Ouachita's football season opener and the dedication of the university's new Cliff Harris Stadium.

"While we normally prefer families to come during the week when prospective students can experience a real class day, visiting on a weekday is not always practical for every family," explained Lori Motl, director of admissions counseling. "We really want them to come on days when they can see the best of student life on a weekend, and this Preview Day gives them that opportunity while also the chance to celebrate with us in the achievement of our new football stadium."

Preview Day will begin at 1 p.m. with registration in Hickingbotham Hall followed by an opening program in Young Auditorium. Following the program, academic sessions and campus tours will be available before the Tiger Tailgate, stadium dedication and football game.

Looking forward to October, Ouachita will host its premier visit event, GROW (Getting Ready for Ouachita's World), Oct. 2-3. The overnight visit gives prospective students the opportunity to spend the night in a residence hall, sit in on classes and attend a performance of Tiger Tunes, the university's annual song and dance competition and fundraiser. Once GROW activities conclude Friday at lunch, visiting students and their families are invited to take part in the many other campus life events that characterize Homecoming Week at OBU.

Other admissions events include Tiger Days scheduled for Oct. 24, Nov. 14, Dec. 5, Jan. 26, March 9, March 13, April 10 and April 22. Personal campus tours are also available throughout the year by appointment.

Visit <u>www.obu.edu/tigerevents</u> to register for these events and to find more detailed information and schedules.