

BOSTON COLLEGE

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2012 SOFTBALL VISITING TEAM GUIDE



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Emergency: 617.552.4444
From a campus phone: 2.4444
Non-Emergency: 617.552.4440
From a campus phone: 2.4440





GENERAL INFORMATION



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Airports:

Logan International Airport

Telephone: 800.23.LOGAN
Boston, MA
Miles to Boston College: 10

Manchester-Boston Regional Airport

Telephone: 603.624.6556
Manchester, NH
Miles to Boston: 60

T.F. Green Airport

Telephone: 401.737.8222
Providence, RI
Miles to Boston College: 55

Hanscom Air Force Base

Telephone: 781.274.0010
Bedford, MA
Miles to Boston College: 20
No Commercial Service

Batting Practice:

A sample pre-game timeline will be sent to your team the week prior to your competition. Please see a sample pre-game timeline in Appendix E.

Bus Company:

Peter Pan

Telephone: 800.343.9999
Contact: Lenny Rottenberg
Cell: 617.799.1732

Car Rental:

Alamo

Telephone: 877.222.9075

Avis

Telephone: 800.230.4898

Budget

Telephone: 800.527.0700

Enterprise

Telephone: 800.261.7331

Hertz

Telephone: 800.654.3131

National

Telephone: 800.227.7368



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Commander Shea Field Information:

With a sweeping view of the Boston skyline and neighboring the Chestnut Hill Reservoir – Shea Field – the home of Eagle softball -- is nestled on a corner of the Boston College campus. Refurbished prior to the 2000 season, the field hosted the Conference Championship that same year. Covered and protected during the winter months, the field maintains its excellent playing surface for the start of the season. In 2001, Shea Field was honored with the National Fastpitch Coaches Association/Turface Grounds Crew Field Maintenance Field Award for the Northeast Region. With the students coming out to catch a doubleheader or split an afternoon between a softball and baseball game, the Eagles enjoy a strong fan base. Local residents often pack the stands to catch the softball team take the field against some of the nation's best competition. The field has lived up to its billing as a championship caliber facility as Boston College has hosted three conference tournaments. Shea Field has a natural playing surface composed of Kentucky bluegrass. Shea Field has a capacity of 1,000.

Driving Directions:

Please refer to Appendix A for directions to campus.

Hotel Information:

Holiday Inn Brookline

1200 Beacon St.
Brookline, MA 02446
Telephone: 617.277.1200
Contact: Stefanie LeBrun
Direct Line: 617.598.7637
Email: slebrun@brooklineinn.com
www.holiday-inn.com/bos-brookline

Newton Marriott Hotel

2345 Commonwealth Avenue
Newton, MA 02466
Telephone: 617.969.1000
Contact: Stephanie Gibson
Direct Line: 617.630.3511
Email: Stephanie.Gibson@marriott.com
www.newtonmarriott.com

Crowne Plaza Hotel (Boston- Newton)

320 Washington Street
Newton, MA 02458
Telephone: 617.630.2923
Contact: Jennifer Rose
Email: jrose@cpbostonnewton.com

Sheraton Needham Hotel

100 Cabot St.
Needham Heights, MA 02494
Telephone: 781.444.1110
Contact: Nancy Hurley
Direct Line: 781.292.3845
Email: nancy.hurley@sheraton.com
www.starwoodhotels.com

Laundry Accommodations:

Our equipment staff will gladly handle your laundry needs if you notify them in advance. Please contact **Kevin Murphy** at 617.552.4785 or murpaz@bc.edu with your laundry requests.



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Locker Room Facilities:

Locker rooms are **NOT** located at the game field. Locker rooms are located a short distance from the game field in Conte Forum (Please refer to the map in Appendix C). To request use of a locker room please contact **Matthew Conway** in the Athletic Operations office at 617.552.6672.

Parking:

Team Parking:

- Visiting softball teams must direct their bus driver to park their bus/vans in the designated parking areas marked by A-frame signage. An Athletic Operations staff member will be on site to assist parking the bus/vans. Please refer to Appendix C for a map of the team bus parking location.

Fan Parking

- Campus parking lots open for event attendees 1.5 hours prior to the start of the event.
- Individuals attending these events should park in the Beacon St. garage levels 3 & 4 or in the Commonwealth Avenue Garage above level 3.
- Parking Monday - Friday at 5:00 PM is \$3.00/hour to park in the garages with a daily maximum rate of \$25.00
- Parking Friday at 5:00 PM - Sunday is \$5.00 per exit
- No overnight parking in garages is permitted



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Points of Local Interest:

Faneuil Hall/Quincy Market:

An easy drive from Boston College, Faneuil Hall has long been regarded as one of the finest attractions in the city of Boston. Cobblestone streets and a variety of performers populate this famous shopping area. Sample the food from the dozens of vendors inside Quincy Market or shop at the plethora of stores in the area.

The North End:

Located across Route 93 from Faneuil Hall, the North End is famous for its small streets and Italian restaurants. A small close knit community with an overflow of history awaits any visitor.

Harvard Square, Cambridge:

Harvard University as well as numerous shops and restaurants lie within the Harvard Square area. The beautiful landscape of the college is nestled against a maze of street performers and shopping areas.

Fenway Park: 617.471.3332

Located in Kenmore Square, the home of the Boston Red Sox is the oldest park in Major League Baseball. This historic site has seen many of baseball's famous moments since opening in 1912.

The Museum of Science: 617.723.2500

MOS is an interactive museum that explores the wonders of science through activities, exhibits, and programs located in downtown Boston. The Museum of Science also includes the Omni Theatre, an IMAX theatre. For more information please visit www.mos.org.

The Museum of Fine Arts: 617.267.9300

Located a short distance from Boston College on Route 9 (Huntington Ave.), the Museum of Fine Arts is one of the leading fine arts museums in the country. For more information please visit www.mfa.org.

The New England Aquarium: 617.973.5200

Located right on the water in downtown Boston, the aquarium is a nationally recognized learning resource for people of all ages. Please visit www.neaq.org for more information.

Movie Theatres:

AMC Chestnut Hill Cinema 5
27 Boylston St. Chestnut Hill, MA
1.888.262.4386

Kendall Square Cinema - Cambridge
1 Kendall Square Cambridge, MA
617.499.1996



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Post-game Meal Information:

Post-game food deliveries should be directed to the Southside of Conte Forum (maroon awning at Gate B) accessible from the **Beacon Street** entrance to campus (See Campus Map in Appendix C). A list of preferred vendors can be found below:

BC Dining Services

(Boxed Lunches)
Contact: David Early
617.552.0311

Bill's Pizzeria

753 Beacon Street
Newton Center, MA
617.964.1116

Chick-Fil-A

75 Middlesex Turnpike Suite 2110
Burlington, MA 01803
781.272.2110 Contact: Juan Ortiz

Presto's Pizza

1936 Beacon Street
Brighton, MA
617.232.4545

Commela's

1 Boylston St.
Chestnut Hill, MA 02465
617.278.2400

UFood Grill

222 Arsenal St.
Watertown, MA 02472
617-923-7676

Practice Times:

Please complete and return the enclosed "Visiting Team Questionnaire" with your practice requests as soon as possible to:

Contact: Matthew Conway

Office: 617.552.6672

Cell: 617.233.3557

Fax: 617.552.4335

Email: conwayml@bc.edu

Pre-Game and Timing Protocol:

Please refer to Appendix E for a sample pre-game timeline.

Public Transportation:

MBTA

Telephone: 617.222.3200 Website: www.mbta.com (Please see map in Appendix D).



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Radio:

Visiting Team radio requests must be submitted to the Boston College Media Relations office prior to your visit. Please contact **Josh Lentine** at 617.552.1188 with your radio request.

Sports Medicine:

Location: The Athletic Training Room is located in room 124 on the North Side of Conte Forum and will open two (2) hours prior to the start of the game. Eric Crest, Resident Assistant, Sports Medicine, will contact each school's athletic trainer prior to their game to discuss specific athletic training needs. Please contact **Eric Crest** at 617.552.4828 with any medical questions.

Tailgating:

Please note that tailgating is NOT permitted.

Taxis:

Newton Taxi

Telephone: 617.244.6600

Red Cab

Telephone: 617.789.3800

Veteran's Taxi

Telephone: 617.527.0300

Yellow Cab

Telephone: 617.536.3600

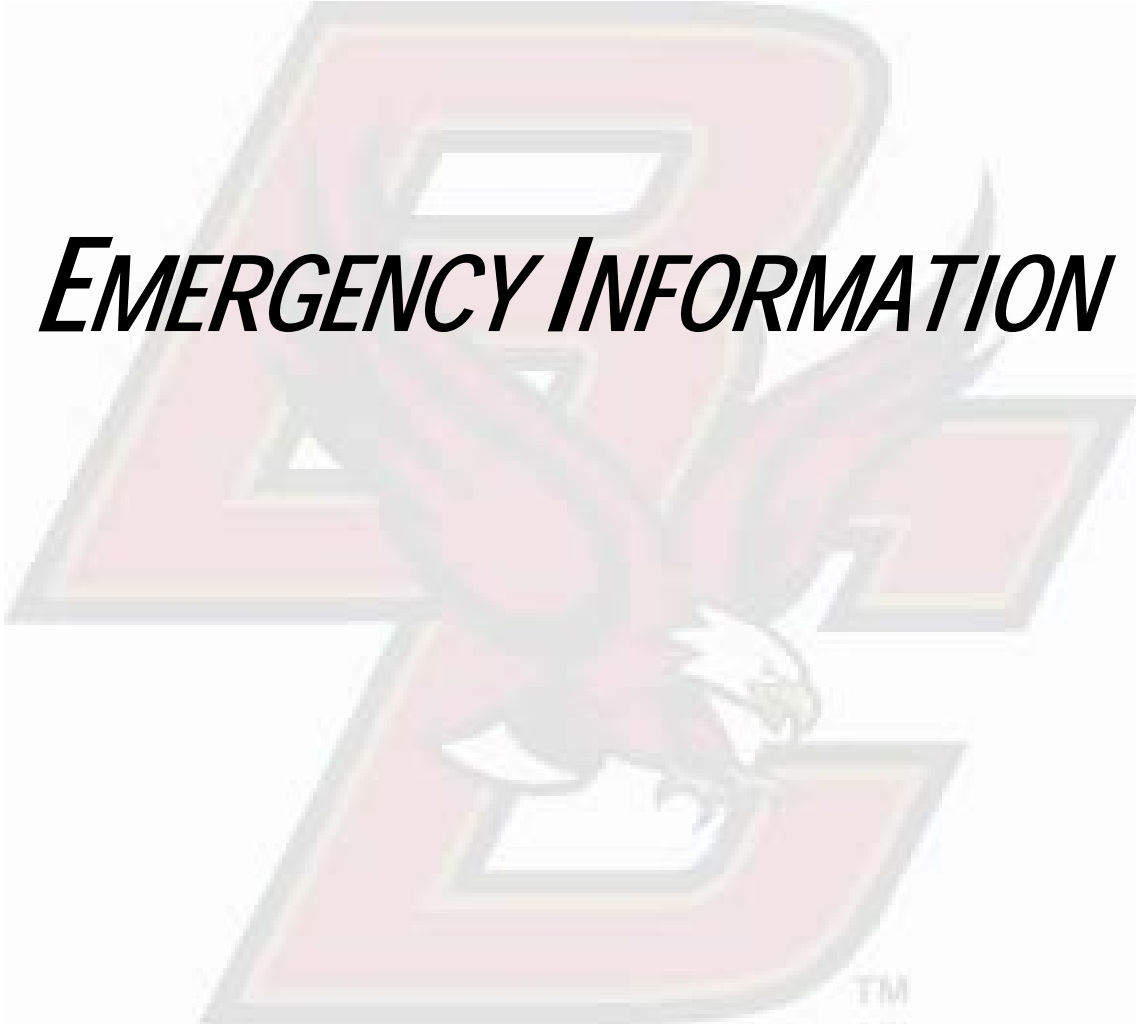
Tickets:

There will not be an admission charge at Commander Shea Field.

Visiting Team Dugout/Bullpen:

The visiting team dugout is located on the 3rd Base side of the field. The visiting team bullpen is located behind the team dugout.





EMERGENCY INFORMATION



SEVERE WEATHER POLICY

Boston College has several services that act as early warning systems for severe weather which include:

- Meteorlogix Weather Sentry Reporting System/Text Messaging
- Thorgurd Lightning Prediction Device

PRIOR TO THE EVENT:

Event weather forecasts will be monitored throughout the day by the event manager and sport administrator via the internet and through the use of a weather service.

Ninety (90) minutes prior to the start of the event Sports Medicine will begin to monitor for severe weather via an electronic lightning detector at the field level.

The game officials, home coaches and visiting coaches will be made aware of the Boston College severe weather policy both prior to the game and when they arrive on site day of game.

ONCE SEVERE WEATHER IS DETECTED:

Once it has been determined that lightning is within 30 miles of the event, the Game Manager will notify the umpires, both head coaches and any on site administrators from both teams that Boston College administration is tracking severe weather in the area.

ONCE LIGHTNING IS WITHIN FIFTEEN (15) MILES OF THE STADIUM:

The Game Manager will notify the umpires, both head coaches and any on site administrators from both teams at the next stoppage of play that lightning is within 15 miles of the playing field and postponement due to weather might be possible. When lightning is detected within 15 miles of Shea Field, the public address announcer will make the following announcement to inform those in attendance that inclement weather including lightning is within 15 miles.

LADIES AND GENTLEMAN, MAY I HAVE YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE? MAY I HAVE YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE? BOSTON COLLEGE HAS RECEIVED NOTIFICATION FROM THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE THAT SEVERE WEATHER INCLUDING LIGHTNING IS WITHIN 15 MILES OF SHEA FIELD. DUE TO THE IMPENDING WEATHER, IT IS RECOMMENDED FOR YOUR SAFETY THAT YOU TEMPORARILY EXIT THE STADIUM AND SEEK SHELTER. WE ARE SORRY FOR THE INCONVENIENCE AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.



SEVERE WEATHER POLICY

WHEN LIGHTNING IS DETECTED WITHIN SIX (6) MILES OF COMMANDER SHEA FIELD:

The Game Manager will notify the Umpires, both head coaches and any on site administrators from both teams at the next stoppage of play that lightning is within 6 miles of the playing field and we are required to halt the game due to weather. When lightning is detected within 6 miles of Shea Field, the public address announcer will make the following announcement to inform those in attendance that inclement weather including lightning is within 6 miles.

LADIES AND GENTLEMAN, MAY I HAVE YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE? MAY I HAVE YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE? BOSTON COLLEGE GAME MANAGEMENT HAS RECEIVED NOTIFICATION FROM THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE THAT SEVERE WEATHER INCLUDING LIGHTNING IS WITHIN 6 MILES OF SHEA FIELD. DUE TO THE IMPENDING WEATHER, PLAY IN TODAY'S GAME HAS BEEN TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED AND TEAMS HAVE BEEN DIRECTED TO THEIR LOCKER ROOM AREAS. FOR YOUR SAFETY PLEASE EXIT YOUR SEAT AND SEEK SHELTER. WE ARE SORRY FOR THE INCONVENIENCE AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

SHELTER AND PLACE LOCATIONS:

- Umpires – Locker Room O
- Visiting Team – Visiting Team Locker Room / Bus
- Home Team – Home Team Locker Room
- Spectators – Personal Vehicles/Beacon St. Garage Levels 1-3

All athletes, coaches and umpires should be made aware of their evacuation location prior to the competition. All spectators should be directed to seek shelter immediately.

REASSESSING THE SITUATION:

Once severe weather is at least six (6) miles from the venue and it is safe to return to the facility, an "all clear" will be sounded. An "all clear" is indicated by 3 short horn blasts on the game scoreboard.

There will be a 5 to 10 minute evaluation/warm up period after the all-clear signal has been given before competition is resumed. The length of time will be determined by the game officials and game manager.

RE-ENTRY ANNOUNCEMENT:

"LADIES AND GENTLEMEN MAY I HAVE YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE. THE SEVERE WEATHER HAS PASSED AND THE FACILITY IS READY FOR RE-ENTRY. WE WILL RESUME PLAY AFTER A BRIEF WARM UP PERIOD FOR BOTH TEAMS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION."



EMERGENCY PROTOCOL - PRACTICE

Emergency Phone Numbers:

Boston College Campus Police Emergency: 617.552.4444

From a campus phone dial: 2.4444

Boston College Campus Police Non-Emergency: 617.552.4440

From a campus phone dial: 2.4440

Sports Medicine Emergency Number: 617.552.6666

From a campus phone dial: 2.6666

Emergency Phone Locations:

Shea Field (Baseball & Softball): Phone is located on the outside of the baseball dugout on first base line.

Address: 2605 Beacon St. Chestnut Hill, MA 02467

Conte Forum/Kelley Rink (Basketball, Hockey): Phones are located in the Boston College Athletic Training Room, the hallway outside of the Athletic Training Room, directly beside the north elevator and in the Skate Lobby.

Address: 2601 Beacon St. Chestnut Hill, MA 02467

AED Locations:

Visiting Team Dugout: BC Sports Medicine will supply an AED, contact information, and water for each visiting team practice.

Conte Forum North Entrance: Inside the Sports Medicine Door in the North Lobby

Conte Forum South Entrance: In the Skate Lobby (in lobby behind visiting team bench)

*If a student-athlete is injured and needs medical assistance/transportation, please call the Boston College Police Department at 617.552.4444 or on campus at 2.4444.



EMERGENCY PROTOCOL - GAME

- First responder: Sports Medicine Team Athletic Trainer
- If additional care is needed, the trainer signals an operations staff member to call BCPD (2.4444)
- BCPD requests the ambulance and guides it to the proper location
- Student-athletes will be transported to:
 - St. Elizabeth's Medical Center
 - Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center (Level 1 Trauma Center).

Home Team Injury:

- A representative from Boston College (Assistant Coach) will go with the student-athlete to the hospital
- Parents may ride in the ambulance with the student-athlete at the discretion of the ambulance driver
- The Boston College athletic trainer will contact Bert Lenz, Director of Sports Medicine.
- Bert Lenz will contact Gene DeFilippo, Director of Athletics, if needed.

Visiting Team Injury:

- If a visiting team student-athlete is injured, the visiting team determines what representative, if any, will go with the student-athlete to the hospital
- Parents may ride in the ambulance with the student-athlete at the discretion of the ambulance driver
- The Boston College athletic trainer will contact Bert Lenz, Director of Sports Medicine.
- Bert Lenz will contact Gene DeFilippo, Director of Athletics, if needed.



HOSPITAL DIRECTIONS

St. Elizabeth's Medical Center:

736 Cambridge St. Brighton, MA 02135

Hospital Main Number: 617.789.3000

From Main Campus (140 Commonwealth Ave. Chestnut Hill, MA 02467)

Exit the North side of campus and proceed directly across Commonwealth Avenue (Rte. 30) onto Lake Street. Follow Lake Street to the bottom of the hill and at the first traffic light turn right onto Washington Street. Follow Washington Street, going straight through two traffic lights. Approaching the third light, you will see the Medical Center in front of you on the right.

For the Emergency Room, go straight at the third light, drive past the Medical Center (on your right), turn right at the next light (Warren St.), and follow signs for the Emergency Room.

To reach the main entrance of the Medical Center, go straight at the third light, drive past the Medical Center (on your right), turn right at the next light (Warren St.) and the main drive will be your first right.

Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center:

185 Pilgrim Rd., Boston, MA 02215

Hospital Main Number: 617.667.7000

From Main Campus (140 Commonwealth Ave. Chestnut Hill, MA 02467)

Go east on Commonwealth Ave. (Rt. 30) towards Boston
Turn right onto Chestnut Hill Ave.
Turn left onto Beacon St.
Turn right onto Washington St.
Take a slight left onto School St.
School St. turns into Aspinwall Ave. (continue to follow Aspinwall for .5 miles)
Turn left at Brookline Ave.
Turn left at Francis St.
Go right onto Pilgrim Rd.
Emergency Room will be on the right.





APPENDICES



APPENDIX - A

Directions to Main Campus - Conte Forum

GPS Address: 2597 Beacon St. Chestnut Hill, MA 02467

From Points North and South:

1. Take Interstate 95 (Route 128) to Exit 24 (Route 30).
2. Proceed east on Route 30, also known as Commonwealth Avenue, and follow for about five miles to Boston College.
3. Enter BC at the second entrance on the right, at St. Ignatius Church, and then turn right into campus
4. Follow Campanella Way (on-campus road) through campus and park along the curb in front of the Yawkey Athletic Center. Bus parking will be identified with A-frame signage.

From Points West:

1. Take the Massachusetts Turnpike (Interstate 90) to Exit 17.
2. At the first set of lights off the exit ramp, take a right onto Centre Street.
3. Follow Centre Street to the fourth set of lights, and turn left onto Commonwealth Avenue.
4. Follow Commonwealth Avenue 1-1/2 miles to Boston College.
5. Enter BC at the second entrance on the right, at St. Ignatius Church, and then turn right into campus
6. Follow Campanella Way (on-campus road) through campus and park along the curb in front of the Yawkey Athletic Center. Bus parking will be identified with A-frame signage.

From Downtown Boston:

1. Take the Massachusetts Turnpike (Interstate 90) to Exit 17.
2. Take a left over the bridge after passing the Sheraton Tara Hotel.
3. Take the first right onto Centre Street.
4. Follow Centre Street to the fourth set of lights, and turn left onto Commonwealth Avenue.
5. Follow Commonwealth Avenue 1-1/2 miles to Boston College.
6. Enter BC at the second entrance on the right, at St. Ignatius Church, and then turn right into campus
7. Follow Campanella Way (on-campus road) through campus and park along the curb in front of the Yawkey Athletic Center. Bus parking will be identified with A-frame signage.

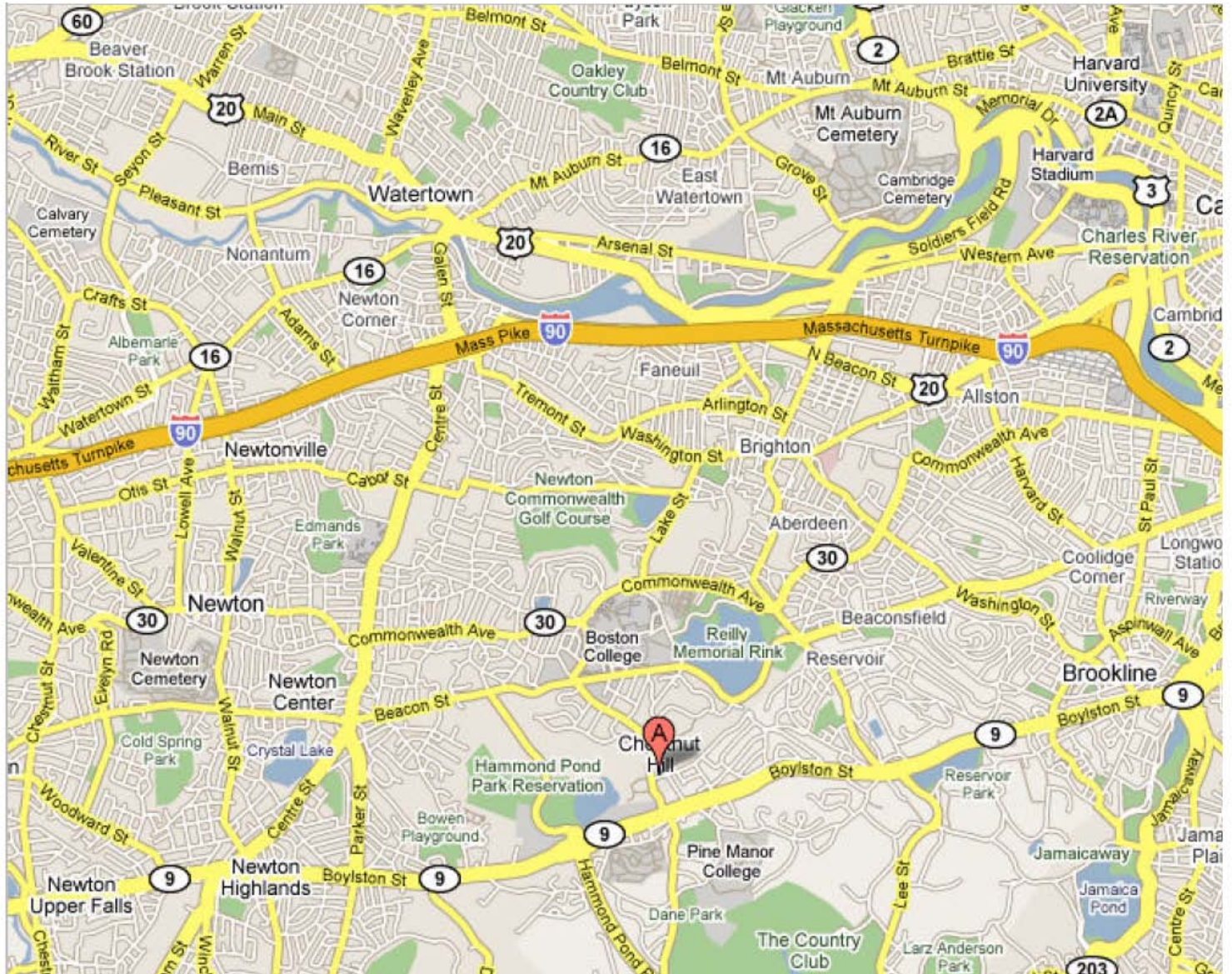
From Logan Airport:

1. Follow signs to I-90 via the Williams Tunnel (Toll).
2. Take the Massachusetts Turnpike (I-90) to Exit 17.
3. Take a left over the bridge after passing the Sheraton Tara Hotel.
4. Take the first right onto Centre Street.
5. Follow Centre Street to the fourth set of lights, and turn left onto Commonwealth Avenue.
6. Follow Commonwealth Avenue 1-1/2 miles to Boston College.
7. Enter BC at the second entrance on the right, at St. Ignatius Church, and then turn right into campus
8. Follow Campanella Way (on-campus road) through campus and park along the curb in front of the Yawkey Athletic Center. Bus parking will be identified with A-frame signage.



APPENDIX - B

Map of Chestnut Hill, MA



Map of Boston College Campus






To Game Field Parking: Enter Boston College via Commonwealth Ave. at St. Ignatius Church and follow Campanella Way through campus to the bus parking location.

To Locker Rooms: Enter Boston College via Commonwealth Avenue at St. Ignatius Church. Bear left onto St. Thomas More Road and follow to locker rooms

Home plate of the Softball Stadium at Shea Field is located here.

TEAM DROP OFF
Please drop team off and proceed to Game Field Parking

	To Game Field Parking
	To Locker Room
	Dining Areas



APPENDIX - D

Map of MBTA



**MASSACHUSETTS BAY
TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
RAPID TRANSIT MAP**



APPENDIX - E

SAMPLE PRE-GAME TIMELINE



12:00pm Start

<u>Start Time</u>	<u>End Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>
	10:00 AM	Field Prep complete
10:30 AM	11:00 AM	Boston College Batting Practice
11:00 AM	11:30 AM	Visiting Team Batting Practice
11:30 AM	11:38 AM	Boston College has full infield (if desired)
11:38 AM	11:46 AM	Visiting Team has full infield (if desired)
11:46 AM	11:56 AM	Field Prep (drag infield) Umpires and Coaches Meet
11:56 AM		Starting Lineups Announced (After Field Prep)
11:58 AM		BC Players Take The Field National Anthem/ACC Sportsmanship
12:00 PM		First Pitch

NOTE: If full infield is not desired, Boston College is allowed to use the right-side of the infield and right field and the visiting team is allowed to use the left-side of the infield and left field.

GAME OPERATIONS PHONE NUMBERS

BCPD Emergency 617.552.4444
BCPD Non-emergency 617.552.4440

