Freshman Orientation—Parents
June 2015

Tentative Schedule

Day 1 Activities

1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.  Check-In – Colvard Student Union
Welcome to Mississippi State and Orientation! Check in and receive your Orientation packet, schedule and T-shirt.

Sanderson Center Hand Scans – Colvard Student Union
Students may have their hand scanned to access the Joe Frank Sanderson Center, the recreation center at MSU.
*In order to do this, students will need to know their NetID and NetPassword.

Immunizations
Students who have not submitted the student immunization form or need to receive the required measles/rubella immunization, may do so at this time.

2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.  General Assembly – Bettersworth Auditorium, Lee Hall
Enjoy a special university welcome from MSU administrators and faculty, an overview of the Orientation schedule, and general announcements.

3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.  Parent Session – Bettersworth Auditorium, Lee Hall

Parent Services & Crucial Issues
Meet staff from the Office of Parent Services & Dean of Students to learn about programs available to bulldog parents.

Student Success Panel
Hear from numerous university officials from areas such as The Learning Center, Pathfinders, Holmes Cultural Diversity Center, and Student Support Services to learn how the university can help your student be success at MSU.

4:45 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.  Academic Meetings – Various Locations
Faculty and administrators from the university's academic colleges will be on hand to meet new students and parents, as well as answer questions about their curriculum and academic programs.

Evening Activities

6:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.  College Ready/Early Start Presentation
Students who are interested or have been selected to participate in this program will have the opportunity to meet with program representatives to discuss their transition to MSU.

Day One Leadership Presentation
Meet with representatives from MSU's Day One Leadership Program, a living/learning community for freshmen which promotes service, academic success and strong character.
**New Maroon Presentation**
Participate in an interest meeting and learn how your student can be involved.

6:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. **Fraternity & Sorority Life Presentation**
Meet with Fraternity & Sorority Life staff to learn more about Greek Life at MSU including recruitment/intake, membership requirements, and chapter opportunities.

6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m. **Organization Fair – The Junction**
A number of MSU's most prominent student organizations will be on hand to share information regarding academic, honorary, Greek, and service opportunities on campus.

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. **Dinner & Social – Club Level, Davis Wade Stadium**
Enjoy a Southern style meal in the Club Level of Davis Wade Stadium. Take this opportunity to meet and hang out with other new MSU students and families. *Name tag required for admission.*

**Day 2 Activities**

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. **Housing, Dining, & Money Matters – Bettersworth Auditorium, Lee Hall**
Participate in a Q&A with representatives from Housing, Dining, Financial Aid, Account Services and Money Matters.

10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. **Break**

11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **Registrar's Session – Bettersworth Auditorium, Lee Hall**
Receive a tutorial on the university’s online course registration procedures.

**Afternoon Activities**

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. **Campus Services & Programs Fair – Colvard Student Union**
Enjoy this opportunity to learn information and ask questions regarding a variety of student services, including the Dean of Students, Information Technology Services, Longest Student Health Center, and Student Life.

12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. **Campus Life Presentation: “College Ready”**
Students and parents who have questions about participating in the program will meet with representatives to ask questions and discuss the details.

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Lunch**
For those who have the time, we invite you to an all-you-care-to-eat buffet in the Marketplace at Perry. If you’re in a hurry to get on the road, then we encourage you to use your meal voucher to grab a bite from Subway, Pizza Hut, or Panda Express.

12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. **Model Room Tours**
Take a tour of three different residence halls, each of which represents the different amenity levels offered on campus.