

Freshman Orientation

June 2017

Parent Tentative Schedule

Day 1 Activities

1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Check-In – Colvard Student Union

Welcome to Mississippi State & Orientation! Check in and receive your Orientation packet, schedule and T-shirt.

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.

1:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

General Assembly – Bettersworth Auditorium

Enjoy a special university welcome from MSU administrators and faculty, an overview of the Orientation schedule, and general announcements.

3:00 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Student Success Presentation – Bettersworth Auditorium

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 successful at MSU.

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 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

5:15 p.m. – 5:45 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.

***The following sessions will repeat at 6:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.**

College Ready 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 you can be involved!

5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Dinner – 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.*

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.

7:15 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Parent Social: Barnes & Noble After Hours – Barnes & Noble

After a full day of activities, we invite you to unwind in our Barnes & Noble Bookstore. Come enjoy MSU Ice Cream and other desserts! We will also have a host of university administrators there to chat with you about your day and help relieve any anxieties you may have.

Day 2 Activities

8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.

Crucial Issues – Bettersworth Auditorium

Hear from our Dean of Students and learn about your student's time here and decisions that you as a parent may face.

9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Student Services Panel– Bettersworth Auditorium

Participate in a Q&A with representatives from Housing, Dining, Career Center, and Barnes & Noble bookstore.

10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Student Health & Well-being Panel – Bettersworth Auditorium

Participate in a Q&A with representatives from Health & Wellness, Sanderson Center, University Police, and Disability Support Services.

10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

Break – Drill Field

Enjoy snacks sponsored by Academic Affairs and the Office of Admissions and Scholarships.

11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Registrar's Session – Bettersworth Auditorium

Receive a tutorial on the university's online course registration procedures.

Afternoon Activities

12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Money Matters Presentation & Panel – Bettersworth Auditorium

While students are registering for classes, parents have the opportunity to learn how the University billing system works. Watch a demo of how to become an authorized payer, how to log-in to see your students account detail, and how to complete an online a payment. During this session, parents will also hear from representatives from the Office of Financial Aid, Admissions & Scholarships, and Account Services.

1:45 p.m. – 3:30 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.

1:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Grab and Go Lunch

For those who have the time, we invite you to a meal at our new Fresh Foods Company dining location. 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 Chick-Fil-A, Subway, Starbucks, Panda Express, and Barnes & Noble Cafe.

1:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Housing Preview

Preview three different residence halls, each of which represents the different amenity levels offered on campus