New Parent & Family Webinar
September 2 | Final Details

Northwestern | DEAN OF STUDENTS OFFICE | Family Engagement
Agenda

- Residential Services
- New Student Orientation
- Parent & Family Orientation
- Answer Pre-submitted questions
- Live Q & A
- Wrap Up
Residential Services
Move-In Process

- Print the unloading zone appointment pass and place on your dashboard (if you are driving)
- Complete the Self-Check-In Form that will be emailed the morning of the move-in appointment
- Arrive to your designated unloading zone at the time on the pass (if driving) or head to your building
- Professional movers will meet you at your vehicle and move items to the student room
- Move your vehicle to a long-term parking location
- Go to the room and unpack

*There are no limits on the number of guests or how long they can stay in the buildings these two days, but they must wear masks*
After Moving In

1) Students complete a COVID-19 rapid test at the Jacobs Center

2) Students visit the Wildcat Welcome Center to check in

3) Students participate in welcome programming and families participate in family programming
Early Arrivals

▪ Must be approved and begin as early as September 7\textsuperscript{th}

▪ Arrive any time 24/7 and in almost all cases move to their Fall Quarter assignment

▪ Students check in with the emailed Self-Check-In link
  ✓ Stop by the North Area Desk at 560 Lincoln if a Wildcard is needed, to check out a moving cart, or for general assistance

▪ If you are arriving early and are sponsored by a department, meals will start when you move in
Programming

- There is a wide range of programming during Wildcat Welcome.

- During the academic year, there are at least three Residential Area events sponsored by the Faculty in Residence and Resident Director.

- Resident Advisers (RAs) sponsor weekly floor gatherings (programs on the floor or on campus).
New Student Orientation
Wildcat Welcome

- **Purple Prep** - provides foundational information and involves a variety of summer tasks to complete and virtual programs to attend

- **Before the Arch** - weekly opportunities to learn from and engage with current Northwestern students on a wide range of topics

- **Fall Welcome** - introduces you to Northwestern's campus traditions, highlights what it means to be a community member, and includes time for peer adviser group meetings and social programs that connect students with classmates as well as returning students
What your student is doing right now

- Academic Advising
- Peer Adviser Group Meeting
- Registration 101 Session (optional)
- Fall Course Registration: September 9 or 10
Preparing for Fall Welcome

- Programs and activities throughout Fall Welcome are centered around supporting students in four key areas.
  
  ✓ **Self** - Reflect on personal identities, areas of interest, and engage in dialogue related to difference

  ✓ **Connection** - Learn about the University, its traditions, and start building supportive relationships with peers, faculty, and staff

  ✓ **Navigation** - Understand what it means to belong to the community and become familiar with resources that support your success

  ✓ **Well-being** - Start following healthy routines and learn how to use Northwestern’s resources for managing personal wellness
Preparing for Fall Welcome *continued*

- Wildcat Welcome Canvas Course
  - Course currently focuses on Wildcat Welcome’s Purple Prep component with advising and registration programming and information
  - Immediately before new student move-in days, the course flips to focus on Fall Welcome along with the release of the detailed schedule for students (time frames are currently viewable)
Preparing for Fall Welcome continued

- Communication

  - Wildcat Welcome Center

  - Wildcat Welcome Center check-in email to be sent on September 12

  - Canvas will be the central place to find schedule information; your student’s PA can help them navigate that as well. Nightly emails are sent to help prepare them for the next day.
Preparing for Fall Welcome continued

- A few key programs
  - March Through the Arch (9/14 @ 3 p.m.)
  - True Northwestern Dialogue Series (TND)
  - Social programming, residential, Six Flags, Rock the Lake, etc.
  - Welcomes from School Deans and President
  - Wellness Breaks
Parent & Family Orientation
Parent & Family Orientation Program
Monday, September 13 – Wednesday, September 15

- **Registration** closes at 10 am CDT Friday, September 3

- Program Schedule available on the [Parent & Family Orientation](#) page of Family Engagement website

- Families can pick up their schedule booklet and Parent & Family Guide when their student checks in for Wildcat Welcome
Monday, September 13

8:00 am – 9:30 pm  Move-In Day Parking Shuttles to Ryan Football Field

9:00 am – 5:00 pm  Wildcat Welcome Check-in (North & South Campus)

11:00 am – 2:00 pm  Complimentary lunch in dining halls for parents and families moving in on Monday

4:30 pm – 6:00 pm  Dean of Students Welcome & Panel Presentation (Recorded)

8:00 pm – 9:30 pm  “A Year in the Life” Skits and Panel Presentation
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Wednesday, September 15

9:30 am – 11:00 am  Dean of Students Welcome & Panel Presentation (Repeat)

11:00 am – 12:30 pm  Parent and Family Resource Fair (Repeat)

11:30 am - 1:30 pm  Campus Tours

1:30 pm – 3:00 pm  “A Year in the Life” Skits and Panel Presentation (Repeat)
Saturday, September 18

*Parent & Family Orientation continues virtually*

Identity & Involvement Student Experience Webinars sessions will allow family members to ask questions and learn more about how their student might navigate campus while holding a certain identity.

More information about how to access these webinars will be available by Thursday, September 16 on the Family Engagement website.

11:00 – 11:50 am & 1:00 pm – 1:50 pm

- CAPS & MSA Session for Families of LGBTQ+ Students (Offered at 11 am only)
- International Students (Offered at 11 am only)
- CAPS & MSA Session for Families with BIPOC/Students of Color (Offered at 1 pm only)
- First-Generation/Lower Income Students
- Transfer Students
- Students Using AccessibleNU
- Out-of-State students
A Few More Notes

- Wear comfortable shoes and clothes for move-in day! 😊

- Have any serious, heart-to-heart conversations with your student before move-in day.

- Families often wonder when to leave campus - traditionally families leave in three equal waves: at the conclusion of move-in day, right after March Through the Arch, or at the end of all Parent and Family Orientation programming.

- It is common to hear from your student when things are going wrong, but they may not reach out to you every time something goes right.

- To support your student, it’s important to show interest—which is something quite different from being demanding. Instead of insisting that your student owes you information, say “I’d like to know what’s going on.” Showing interest affirms that you care, but also that you trust your student to make responsible adult decisions.
Webinars

Parent & Family Orientation Series - Hosted by Family Engagement
Recordings Available

Topics:
 ✓ Family Engagement Welcome & Overview of Wildcat Welcome Timeline
 ✓ College Transition & Helpful Resources
 ✓ Wildcat Chat with Parents & Students
 ✓ Black Student Experience Webinar with Parent Panel
 ✓ Move In & Final Details

Return to Campus Discussion Series - Hosted by Return to Campus Team
Recordings Available

Topics:
 ✓ Class registration and the classroom experience
 ✓ Health, safety and the campus experience
Live Q & A
Questions after the Webinar?

Purple Prep for Class of 2025

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