

NEW STUDENT AND FAMILY PROGRAMS

 MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY MANKATO

Family Orientation Schedule

Welcome to Minnesota State University, Mankato!

Welcome Maverick Family Members! The following schedule includes all your orientation activities throughout the day. If you have questions throughout your visit, please find an Orientation Peer Assistant (OPA) and they will gladly help you out.

Family Orientation Check-In

Ballroom Lobby, 2nd Floor CSU

7:45-8:45 a.m.

At check-in, pick up your orientation materials for the day!

Math and English Placement Test

Academic Computer Center, Wissink Hall

7:45-8:20 a.m.

Students have an Information Card included in their orientation check-in packet that includes ACT scores and information about who needs to take the Math and English Placement Test. *Not all students will need to take this test.* Students complete this test at their own pace. After testing, students will return to the Ballroom for orientation programming.

MavCARD (Student ID)

MavCARD Office, 1st Floor CSU

7:45-8:45 a.m.

The MavCARD is the student ID card at Minnesota State Mankato. To get a student ID, the student must have a current, government issued photo ID. Limited applications and photos will be processed at this time; most students will complete the student ID process after advising and registration.

Campus Resource Fair

South Ballroom, 2nd Floor CSU

7:45-9:00 a.m.

Enjoy breakfast while visiting with various offices and departments to learn about services and opportunities for involvement. Take care of any campus business you may need to conduct, buy your parking permit, turn in release forms, or take a short campus tour.

Self-Guided Residence Hall Room Tour

Preska Residence Hall

7:45-8:45 a.m.

A renovated room type in Preska I Hall and a suite style room in Preska K Hall will be available to view during this time. The Preska I Hall room layout is similar to rooms in Crawford and McElroy. The Preska K Hall room layout is similar to rooms in Preska J,K,L Halls and Julia Sears Residence Community.

Orientation Welcome

Ballroom, 2nd Floor CSU

9:00-9:10 a.m.

Welcome to Minnesota State University, Mankato! Students and families will be introduced to the orientation staff and receive updates and information about the orientation experience.

Student Financial Services: Financial Aid and Important Dates

Ballroom, 2nd Floor CSU

9:10-9:40 a.m.

Hear some helpful tips and information about navigating financial aid and paying for college. This session will also cover important dates related to financial aid, tuition payment, and more.

Academic College Meetings and Information

9:50-10:20 a.m.

Student Relations Coordinators (SRCs) will introduce your student's college, academic expectations, and the support available through faculty and academic advisors.

Allied Health & Nursing	AH 102
Arts & Humanities	CSU 201
Business	MH 102
Education	NH 003
Science, Engineering & Technology	MH 103
Social & Behavioral Sciences	CSU 253/254/255
Undecided	AH 101
Contract Students	CSU 204

- Students majoring in Secondary Education (junior/middle or senior high school teaching) should attend the session which best matches the subject matter they wish to teach.
- Students in pre-professional programs (i.e. Medicine, Law, Veterinary Science, etc.) should attend the session which best matches the subject matter of their plan of study.
- The Undecided session is for students who have not yet selected a major.

Family Orientation and Family Programs

Ostrander Auditorium, 1st Floor CSU

10:35-10:55 a.m.

Come and learn what programs and opportunities the University has for you as families of Mavericks!

Student Health Services

Ostrander Auditorium, 1st Floor CSU

10:55-11:15 a.m.

Student Health Services provides comprehensive medical services with a full-service pharmacy and laboratory. This presentation will summarize what families need to know prior to their student arriving on campus. Health education services will also be reviewed including volunteer opportunities and substance abuse prevention education for students and parents.

Campus Security and Safety

Ostrander Auditorium, 1st Floor CSU

11:15-11:35 a.m.

Campus Security provides a variety of services for students on campus. This session will address the various resources available to students and provide basic information on safety at Minnesota State Mankato.

Meal Plans and University Dining for Families

Ostrander Auditorium, 1st Floor CSU

11:35-11:45 a.m.

Information about the various meal plans, dining options, and food allergy information will be shared.

Residential Life Information for Families

Ostrander Auditorium, 1st Floor CSU

11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Learn what you can expect for your student in the residence halls. Topics such as move-in, roommate issues, policies, and other resources will be shared.

Lunch

Dining Center, Carkoski Commons

12:30-1:30 p.m.

Enjoy lunch in the Dining Center with other family members of Minnesota State Mankato students!

Course Advising and Registration for Students

12:45-3:30 p.m.

During this time students will complete advising and registration. Students will return to the CSU after they complete registration.

Getting Textbooks: Information from the Campus Bookstore

Ostrander Auditorium, 1st Floor CSU

1:30-1:40 p.m.

Learn about the textbook reservation process, book buyback, and other bookstore services.

Parking and Bus Services at Minnesota State Mankato

Ostrander Auditorium, 1st Floor CSU

1:40-1:50 p.m.

Learn about campus parking information, parking permits, and the various bus services available to students.

Welcome Week

Ostrander Auditorium, 1st Floor CSU

1:50-2:00 p.m.

Welcome Week is a great way for your student to meet students and connect to campus. This session will discuss what your student can expect during this exciting time, so you can encourage them to get involved!

What is My Role as a Parent Now?

Ostrander Auditorium, 1st Floor CSU

2:00-2:30 p.m.

Come understand the tight rope you are about to walk; how to stay connected to your Maverick, yet let them go and gain their independence. Understand how to mentor your Maverick during their college years.

MavCARD (Student ID)

MavCARD Office, 1st Floor CSU

1:30-3:45 p.m. (Following Advising and Registration)

Student Orientation Checkout

Mav Ave Corridor, 1st Floor CSU

1:30-4:00 p.m.

Barnes and Noble Textbook Reservation Assistance

Barnes and Noble, 1st Floor CSU

1:30-4:00 p.m.

Computer Purchase and Set-up Assistance

Campus Computer Store, Lower Level CSU

2:00-4:00 p.m.

If you are purchasing a computer from the Campus Computer Store, the Information Technology Services staff will be available to help you purchase and set-up the new computer with the software and services provided to Minnesota State Mankato students.

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Thank you for attending Family Orientation at Minnesota State University, Mankato! Please remember to turn in your evaluation and postcard at the checkout table in the Mav Ave Corridor.

More information is available at www.mnsu.edu/family.

Dates to Remember

- Move In Day: August 18, 2016
- Welcome Week: August 18-21, 2016
- First Day of Class: August 22, 2016
- Family Weekend: September 23-24, 2016

**Orientation Presentations: For copies of the presentations visit
www.mnsu.edu/newstudent/orientation/family/resources.html**

Program Notes:

- The orientation program begins at 9:00 a.m. and will conclude at 4:00 p.m. Students need to attend the entire orientation program to be able to register for classes. Any changes in the orientation schedule will be noted during the welcome session.
- If you are in need of wireless access, please use the MavGuest wireless available in the entire CSU building.
- Students need to keep their check-in packet and bag with them throughout the orientation.
- Orientation parking is available in Lot 16 (Green). Parking on the street or in any Gold parking lots will result in a ticket. If you choose to park in the Pay Lot you will NOT be reimbursed for parking costs.
- Minnesota State University, Mankato is a tobacco-free campus. Please refrain from smoking or using tobacco products on campus while at orientation.

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