

WMU Family Orientation 2019

Day 1

When you arrive, students will start out in the [Valley 2 residence halls](#). Families that are arriving with students are asked to drop students off at Valley 2 and then go directly to the [Bernhard Center](#) – park in [lot 41](#).

- 8:30 a.m. Family Orientation Check-in begins at the Bernhard Center 2nd floor
- 9:45 a.m. Family Orientation Kickoff (east ballroom)
- 10:00 a.m. Campus Community Presentations
- Campus Safety and Emergency Preparedness
 - Campus Living and Dining
- 10:30 a.m. Academic Panel
- Academic Success Programs and Services
 - Academic Advising
 - Understanding the Curriculum and Requirements
- 11:00 a.m. Introduction to Student Accounts, Billing, and Authorized User
- 11:15 a.m. Break
- 11:30 a.m. Programming Breakouts I (choose 1)
- Study Abroad and Global Engagement (Brown and Gold Room)
 - Plan It 4-Ward and WMU Signature (Room 210)
 - Understanding Disability Services for Students (212)
 - Financial Aid/Student Billing Q&A (Room 213)
 - Conversation with the Family Orientation Team (East Ballroom)
- 12:05 p.m. Programming Breakouts II
- Same options and locations as Breakouts I (choose 1)
- 12:40 p.m. Lunch and Mixer with the Faculty and Staff (East Ballroom)
- 2:00 p.m. Traveling the Road to and Through College (East Ballroom)
- 3:30 p.m. “The Bronco Way” Theatrical Production ([Gilmore Theatre Complex](#))
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Day 2

Spend the morning relaxing, or exploring the many things Kalamazoo has to offer. We have also arranged the following options:

- 9-11 a.m. Staff available to assist with your final questions (Brown and Gold Room)
(Orientation, Family Engagement, and Financial Aid)
- 9 a.m. Optional Bus Tour (45 minutes)
- 10 a.m. Optional Bus Tour (45 minutes)
- 11:30 a.m. Programming at various Academic Colleges (details on page 2)

Reconnecting Students and Families After Orientation

On day two of Orientation, students will go to their Academic Colleges to meet with advisors and register for classes. Families can take it easy and relax during this time – or can join us for a bus tour of Kalamazoo.

Students in the College of Engineering and the College of Health and Human Services will check out of the residence hall and take their belongings with them to the Academic Colleges. All other students will leave their belongings in their room, and check out of the residence hall after they have finished registering for classes.

College of Aviation	After morning activities, families will join their students in 2250 North Kohrman Hall for a pizza lunch and information session. This event will conclude by 1:30 to allow students time to check out of the residence hall afterwards.
College of Education and Human Development	After morning activities, families will join their students in Sangren Hall for a pizza lunch, conversation, and success preparation for fall. TRiO FESP families will also meet during this time to complete the application process and answer remaining questions. This event will conclude by 1:30 to allow students time to check out of the residence hall afterwards.
College of Engineering and Applied Sciences	After breakfast, students will check out of the residence hall and take their belongings with them to the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences . After morning activities, families will join their students at Floyd Hall on the Parkview campus for a small reception and lite lunch. (4601 Campus Drive, 49008)
Haworth College of Business	After morning activities, families will join their students in Schneider Hall for a lite lunch and conversation. This event will conclude by 1:30 to allow students time to check out of the residence hall afterwards.
Health and Human Services	After breakfast, students will check out of the residence hall and take their belongings with them to the College of Health and Human Services . After morning activities, families will join their students at the College of Health and Human Services in the atrium for a lite lunch. (1101 Cass Street, 49008)
Arts and Sciences Exploratory Advising Fine Arts	After completing the registration process, students will walk back to the Valley 2 residence halls. Families will reconnect with students there to conclude their day. Most students will finish the registration process between 11 a.m. and Noon. Some Fine Arts students may go a little later in the afternoon.