



Parents & Families Orientation





Welcome to Buffalo State University!

Welcome to Buffalo State University, to New Student Orientation, and to the ever-growing **Bengal** family! We are so excited to have you here supporting your students as they embark on a new chapter of their lives at Buffalo State University. The upcoming years of your students' life will be filled with life changing memories, tough challenges, and amazing personal growth which will give them the skills and experiences to excel both in and out of the classroom.

During New Student Orientation, you will have the opportunity to connect with current students, faculty, and staff, and learn about the amazing campus culture, community, academic programs, and student services that are offered at Buffalo State University. You will also receive important information about academic policies and procedures, campus safety, and resources that might be critical to your experiences as a member of your students support network!

We encourage you to take full advantage of your New Student Orientation experience and all of the information available to help your new Bengals succeed at Buffalo State. We are excited to have you as part of our community, and we look forward to supporting you during orientation!

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Summer 2023

Parents & Families Orientation Schedule

Two Day Program

Day 1: 8:00am-9:00am: Check-in and breakfast

Cleveland Circle

This session will allow students, family, and support networks to check into their new student orientation program. After check-in, students and families can head to the Campbell Student Union for an informational resource fair.

9:00am-9:30am: Welcome and Introduction to Buffalo State University (You are Welcome Here)

Campbell Student Union Hall

This session will introduce parents and family members to the Buffalo State University community, including faculty, staff, and current students, and provide an overview of the resources available to help them succeed. Members of the Presidents Cabinet, United Students Government, and the Student Leadership and Engagement office will share insights on the values of a Buffalo State Education.

9:30am-10:30am: Q&A Panel with Student Leadership and Engagement

Campbell Student Assembly Hall

Family Members will leave Social Hall prior to the AFP performance to begin their separate orientation program.

10:30am-11:30am: Campus Tour

Various Locations

Family members will be escorted around campus by BEAT Team Members to get a better feeling of the location.

12:00pm-1:00pm: Lunch with Current Students and Faculty Members.

Assembly Hall

Staff members from the division of Student Affairs will join family members for lunch to learn more about the different departments that are available on campus that are available to their students.

1:15pm-2:15pm: Academic Support Services

Assembly Hall

During this session, parents and families will learn about how the Academic Center for Excellence, Math Center, Tutoring Services and Writing Center can support their student. They will also learn about Academic Advising and Career and Professional Education.

2:45pm-3:45pm: Student Leadership and Engagement and Residence Life

Assembly Hall

During this session, parents and family members will learn about Student Leadership and Engagement at Buffalo State University, including co-curricular activities, student organizations, Greek Life, etc. Residence Life will share information on key details about living on campus.

4:00pm-4:15pm: Day 1 Close for Parents and Family Members

Assembly Hall

Parents and family members will hear from Student Leadership and Engagement and a member of the president's cabinet to close out day 1. They will be invited for the optional parent mixer event taking place in the evening.

7:00pm-8:30pm: Parent and Family Member Mixer

Science and Math Complex Planetarium

Parents and family members are invited back to campus for a mixer event to mix and mingle in getting to know other family members attending the orientation program. Light refreshments and appetizers will be served as well as tours of the Science and Math Complex Planetarium.

Day 2: 8:30am-9:30am: Welcome back

Assembly Hall

Parents and families are welcomed back to campus and will receive updates about upcoming days of the semester. They will also get the opportunity to mingle with the Assistant Deans from Academic Affairs.

9:30am-10:30am: College Transition and Student Success

Assembly Hall

Parents, family members and support networks will learn about the challenges and opportunities during the college transition (Title III).

10:45am-11:45am: Community Standards and Safety

Assembly Hall

This session will dive into the areas of Title IX, Campus Compact, Student Conduct, and an overview of the University Police Department and how each department is here to support students at Buffalo State University.

12:00am-1:00pm: Lunch with Buffalo State Staff Members

Assembly Hall

Staff members from the Division of Student Affairs will join family members for lunch to learn more about the different departments on campus that are available to students.

1:15pm-2:00pm: Financing Your Education

Assembly Hall

Families and Parents will meet with the office of Financial Aid to talk about what it means to be financially ready for life as a college student and what resources are available to them as a Buffalo State Bengal.

2:00pm-3:00pm:TBD

Social Hall

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3:00pm-3:30pm:New Orientation Closing

Social Hall

Parents, family members will meet up with their students and will hear from Student Leadership and Engagement and the Anne Frank Project to finish their story from orientation. Students will also hear important information about upcoming dates and deadlines.

If you have any questions, please
contact one of the following offices

Offices Directory

Academic Affairs Office

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Registrar's Office

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Admissions Office

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Residence Life Office

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Website: residencelife.buffalostate.edu

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Dean of Students Office

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Website: deanofstudents.buffalostate.edu

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Student Accessibility Services Office

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Financial Aid Office

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Weigel Wellness Center

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Fall 2023

Important Dates & Events



August 23-27
Bengal Bound



August 24-27
Move-In Week



August 28
First Day of Classes



September 5
Labor Day (No Classes)



September 25-30
Homecoming & Family Weekend

Notes

Bengal Bound

Bengal Bound is a week full of programs for incoming students leading up to the start of the Fall Semester! This exciting week includes both events on and off campus so new students can fully experience all that Buffalo State University and the City of Buffalo has to offer.

Homecoming & Family Weekend

Join us in celebrating Homecoming and Family Weekend with events taking place all week that celebrate the campus, students, family members, and alumni at Buffalo State University.

Orange Friday

Every Friday at Buffalo State University is Orange Friday! Make sure to rep your favorite orange attire or stop by the bookstore to grab the latest Buffalo State gear.

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Campus Map



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