STAY CONNECTED

You Went to Family & Guest Orientation, Now What?

Thank you for being a part of the Stony Brook Family and Guest Orientation. We hope you enjoyed your experience and have learned about what it means to support a Seawolf! Below is a checklist to help you stay connected to your student's Stony Brook University experience:

- **Brush up** on the resources provided to you. To access the presentations featured at Family & Guest Orientation, please click [here](#).

- **Provide feedback** on your Family Orientation Experience. Those who complete the [evaluation](#) can enter to win a $100 Amazon gift card!

- **Join us** for the Family Farewell BBQ! The deadline is August 17th- tickets are selling quickly. To register, click [here](#).

- **Save the date!** Family Weekend is Friday September 23 to Sunday, September 25. Register here: [stonybrook.edu/familyweekend](https://www.stonybrook.edu/familyweekend)

- **Encourage your student(s)** to prepare for their required Orientation Part II:
  - [Orientation Part II: For First Year Students](#)
  - [Orientation Part II: For Transfer Students](#)
  - [Orientation Part II: For Nontraditional Students](#)

- **Continue to stay connected.** Our office prides itself in being a direct connection, for you and your student, to the university. Please use us as a resource for any and all questions and concerns.

- **Take in the moment!** This is an exciting milestone for your student and family- enjoy it!
**Division of Information Technology: Buying Clickers**

The purpose of a clicker is to track student attendance and to facilitate participation in a large classroom. Set your student up for success by encouraging them to read more [here](#).

**Vote for SBU and Help Champion Gender Equality**

"With your vote, our students and President Stanley will have the opportunity to lead this important conversation by talking about lessons learned and how HeForShe opened the door to further a dialogue about integrating gender equality, human rights and diversity into all levels of education,” said Charles L. Robbins, Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education and Dean of the Undergraduate Colleges.

Read more [here](#).

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**OFFICE SPOTLIGHT**

**The Office of Student Orientation and Family Programs**

In addition to year round services to family members of all Stony Brook students, the Office of Student Orientation and Family Programs facilitates the transition for new West Campus transfer and freshmen students through programs aimed at acclimating them socially and academically to the institution. The programming comes in the form of a two-part required orientation, welcoming about 4,000 students each year.

As always, we are here to partner with families and welcome and provide resources to students!

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**TIPS**

**Preparing for the "New Normal"**

The start of the academic year is around the corner. With this, the family’s role and involvement will inevitably shift. To ensure that you are providing as much support as deemed appropriate by your student, a conversation about new roles and expectations will serve as a way to keep the lines of communication open. Below are helpful stories and tips from the experts: families, support systems, and parents just like you!

- [Helping Your College Student Living at Home: What Can You Do?](#)
- [8 Best of the Empty Nest](#)
- [A Mom's Best-Ever Tips for Surviving College Drop-Off Day](#)
RESOURCES CORNER

Important Dates

Thursday, August 25: Move-In Day for new students from out of state out of area (by invitation only)

Friday, August 26- Sunday, August 28th: Required Orientation Part II for all new incoming students

Friday, August 26: Move-in Day for all new incoming residential students

Friday, August 26: The Family Farewell BBQ

Monday, August 29: Classes Begin

Monday, September 5: Labor Day- no classes

Tuesday, September 6: No classes in session

Friday, September 16: Deadline to register for Family Weekend

Friday, September 23- Sunday, September 25: Family Weekend