Sample Spring Family Orientation Schedule

See below for a sample of your orientation activities. This sample schedule is designed to give you a general idea of orientation activities. Please follow instructions in your confirmation e-mail regarding check-in times/location. You’ll receive your official schedule when you check-in to orientation.

8:00-8:30 a.m. Check-in to Orientation

8:30-8:40 a.m. Welcome and Announcements

8:45-9:25 a.m. The Academic Connection (includes students)
Gain insight of academics and advising at NIU with an overview of academic expectations, the undergraduate curriculum, and students’ responsibilities.

9:20-9:50 a.m. Resource Fair (includes students)
This is a great chance to learn more about NIU resources and services students will use throughout their first year and beyond!

9:55-10:15 a.m. Managing College Costs (includes students)
The focus of this presentation is to share information with students and families regarding the process of paying for college, including information on tuition, fees, and billing.

10:15-10:50 a.m. Student Success @ NIU (includes students)
The focus of this session will be student success at NIU. You will learn what resources and tools are available to help ease the transition of new students.

11-11:20 a.m. Staying Connected (families only)
During this session, we’ll share helpful information about ways you can stay connected to NIU while supporting your student towards success!

12:30-1 p.m. Campus Tour (optional includes students)
Come and learn from a current NIU student all of the key locations on campus during this 30 minute tour.

12:30-4:30 p.m. Student Financial Aid Walk-In Service (optional includes students)
Feel free to stop by Student Financial Aid if you have any remaining questions. You can meet individually with a counselor.

12:30-2:30 p.m. Housing Tours (optional includes students)